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A&E takes a look at Katherine Heigl's latest leading role in the film "27 Dresses."

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KDR evicted by alumni

By SUSAN MISUR
Senior Writer

The University's chapter of the Kappa Delta Rho (KDR) fraternity has been given orders to vacate their house this semester due to repeated violations of fire safety regulations and unsanitary conditions.

The alumni Board of Directors of the Iota Chapter of KDR—on the behalf of the KDR Alumni Corporation—decided in November to close the house on Fraternity Road, but to allow the chapter to remain active.

Because it is owned by the KDR Alumni Corporation, the now-empty house will not be used by the University in the meantime, Gary Buchmann '79 said. He is the secretary/treasurer and co-director of the Alumni Corporation.

"[The house] will remain vacant for now, and we'll be doing maintenance and repairs to get it up to standard," Buchmann said. He also said that although there are plans to allow the chapter to move back into the house, the decision remains contingent upon "their performance in meeting certain criteria this semester."

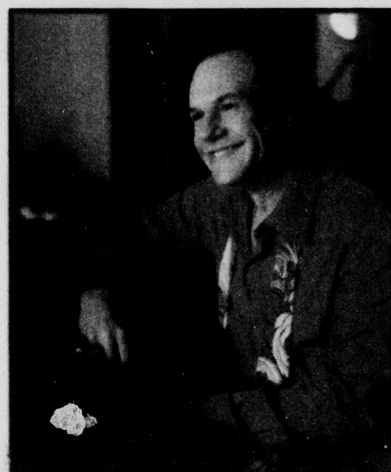
In addition to receiving notice in November that their house was closing, the chapter was put on social probation by the National

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Chrysalis 2008: the 10th anniversary



Photos Courtesy of Activities and Campus Events



The 10th annual Chrysalis Ball will feature performances by KC & The Sunshine Band and opening band the Village People, giving the event a 70s dance theme. The event will be held in the Gerhard Fieldhouse on Friday, April 25 from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. Discounted ticket sales begin on Monday, March 17 and run through Monday, March 31. Read the article on page A8 for more information.

Construction limits parking

By SUSAN MISUR
Senior Writer

Construction to install a generator next to the Trax Hall parking lot is entering its fourth month and is anticipated to end March 15, University facilities employees said.

The University administration organized the installation of the generator as part of emergency planning efforts. It will provide emergency back-up power for the campus phone system based in Trax Hall's basement.

According to Jeff Loss, senior associate director for maintenance in facilities, the generator near Trax is one of three being installed on campus as part of the emergency plan.

"There is one back-up source of power if something happens, and this generator near Trax is the third source for the phones," Loss said.

Since two additional genera-

tors are being installed simultaneously, contractors from both the University and outside businesses work on each of the three at different times, according to David Eckley, electrician supervisor.

"If people haven't seen us working at the Trax generator, it's because we're working on the other ones," Eckley said. "The project isn't done yet because we rotate between each generator as we get parts in."

The generator near the Trax parking lot required four parking spaces to be blocked with cones and orange fencing since mid-October when it began. Eckley said facilities needed the spaces in which to park their vehicles and also to make room for a crane to set the generator in place.

"We had to call three or four students to see if they could move their cars when we first needed to block the spaces," Eckley said. "But we only had their room phone numbers and weren't able

to reach them."

Even when cars were eventually moved and the orange fence was put up, Eckley said other students continued to park there.

"The first day we put up the fence, people plowed it down or moved it themselves and parked anyway," he said.

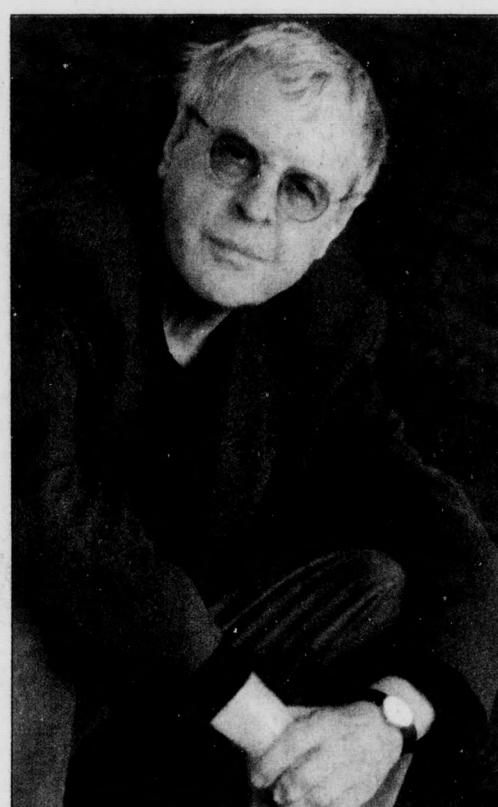
Despite the temporary elimination of parking spaces in the already small lot, Loss said students have not called to complain or ask when they would be reopened.

Madison Case '09, a Trax resident, said the construction and blocked parking spaces did not make much of a difference to her.

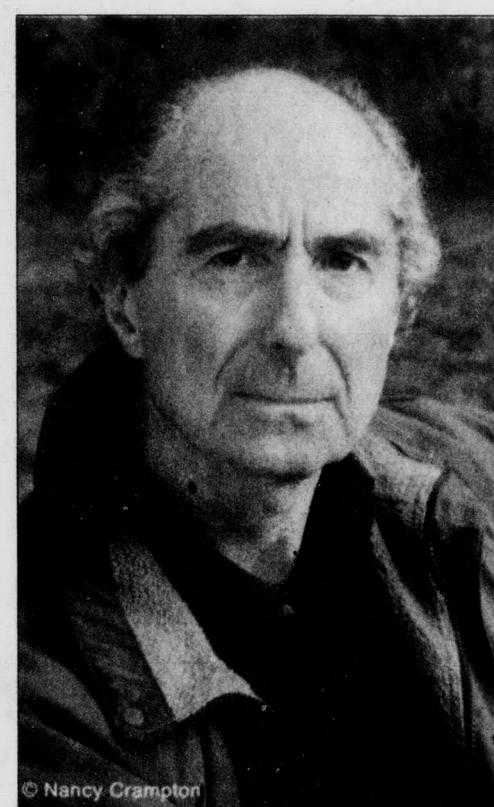
"I always park either in front of Smith or in the parking lot near the fraternities," she said.

Two parking spaces were reopened this week in the Trax parking lot, Loss said. No additional or temporary spots have been created in the parking lot to replace those that are blocked.

158th Commencement speakers announced



Courtesy of Blue Flower Arts



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Charles Simic (left) and Philip Roth '54 (right) will be attending the 158th Commencement ceremony on May 18. Read more in News Briefs on page A3.

Provost search continues

By AHMED KODOUDA
Staff Writer

Some progress has been made in the long process of selecting and hiring a new Provost, as the University created a committee with the sole task of presiding over the search. According to an e-mail sent by President Brian C.

Mitchell on Oct. 19, the faculty representatives on the search committee were elected by fellow faculty members through the use of electronic balloting, in order to represent several constituency groups on campus.

"The other members of the committee were selected in consultation with the

President's Senior Staff, Chair of the Faculty and Bucknell Student Government," Mitchell's e-mail said.

The search committee is comprised of Nina Banks, assistant professor of economics; Sally Koutsoliotas, associ-

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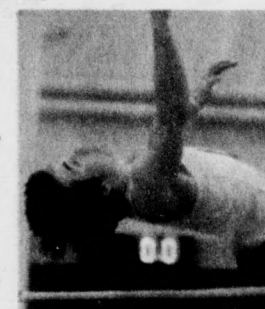
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Men's and women's track and field squads take first at Bucknell's Heptagonal.

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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, Jan. 16		Center: Cause by cooking.	ALARM / TROUBLE—Sigma Chi Fraternity: Detector malfunction.	Monday, Jan. 21
ALARM / FIRE—Larison Hall: Unknown cause.	*SUSPICIOUS PERSON—Sunflower: Caused by employees.	FIRE DRILL—Power House: Testing alarm.	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause by hair dryer.	ALARM / INTRUSION—Langone Center: Unknown cause.
ALARM / FIRE—Harris Hall: Unknown cause.		Friday, Jan. 18	DISORDERLY CONDUCT—South 7th Street: Under investigation.	ALARM / TROUBLE—Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity: Equipment malfunction.
EMERGENCY PHONE CALL—Edwards House: False alarm.		ALARM / TROUBLE—Financial Aid: System malfunction.	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity: Disciplinary referral.	PROPERTY FOUND—Seventh Street: Under investigation.
THEFT—Marts Hall Parking Lot: Under investigation.		MISSING PERSON—Off Campus: Student delayed in returning to campus.	TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity: Pull station activation.	THEFT—Vedder Hall: Property recovered.
EMS TRANSPORT—Langone Center: Transported to Student Health Services.		SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Larison Hall: Report was unfounded.	DRUG VIOLATION—Vedder Hall: Unfounded.	DRUG VIOLATION—Vedder Hall: Unfounded.
ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by burnt food.		ASSIST OTHER AGENCY/POLICE—Swartz Hall: Assist Police.	DISTURBANCE—Swartz Hall: Warning issued.	
ALARM / INTRUSION—Botany Building: Caused by employee.		HARASSMENT/COMM—Smith Hall: Under investigation.	PROPERTY / FOUND—7th Street Café: Property recovered.	Tuesday, Jan. 22
		CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Larison Hall: Under investigation.	ASSIST TO PUBLIC—Vaughan Literature Parking Lot: Assisted motorist.	
ALARM / FIRE—Harris Hall: Caused by burnt food.		ALARM / FIRE—Smith Hall: Caused by burnt food.	PROPERTY / FOUND—Art Barn Drive: Property recovered.	
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.		Saturday, Jan. 19	ALARM / FIRE—Trax Hall: Caused by burnt food.	
ALARM / TROUBLE—Swartz Hall: System malfunction.		CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Bucknell Hall: Under investigation.	ALARM / BURGLAR—535 Smoketown Road: Caused by employee.	
ALARM/ INTRUSION—Computer Center: Caused by employee.		ALARM / INTRUSION—Langone Center: Unknown cause.	DRUG VIOLATION—Larison Hall: Unfounded.	
ALARM / FIRE—Langone				

Search to conclude by April

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ate professor of physics and astronomy; Tony Massoud, associate professor of political science; Mike Prince, professor of chemical engineering; Tom Cassidy, associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences; Susan Hopp, dean of students; and student representative Bill McLean '08.

In addition, the University hired top-level search firm Russell-Reynolds Associates, which the University has used previously to hire other administrative staff. Applicants apply directly through the search firm, which then does an initial screening of the applicant pool.

"They are not just waiting for applications to come in, they are actively cultivating applicants for the position by targeting promising individuals who may not even be looking for the position," Maria Antonaccio, chair of the search committee and associate professor of religion, said.

Nominations were also accepted by the search firm from the faculty, administrators, alumni and a variety of other members of the campus community.

A job advertisement was also placed in the Chronicle of Higher Education. According to the ad, the committee is searching for "an individual of distinguished academic and administrative accomplishment. The preferred candidate will have a Ph.D., will have earned tenure and will have a record of scholarship and teaching at a level that would qualify for appointment as a full professor."

Further, "The preferred candidate will also have substantial leadership experience in higher education administration, a full understanding of the mission of a liberal arts college or university and evidence of ability to work successfully with all the University's on- and off-campus constituencies."

Currently, the search committee is actively reviewing the

dossiers from the search firm. The committee will then create a short-list of 10-12 candidates that will be interviewed at an off-campus location for purposes of confidentiality. According to Antonaccio, the search committee will then narrow down the list of possible candidates to three or four, who will come to campus some time after spring break. The process is expected to conclude in early April.

"This is a very exciting period in the University's history. We have a new strategic plan, a new five-course teaching load and I think the search committee is very excited about bringing a new Provost to Bucknell. We're optimistic," Antonaccio said.

As the second-ranking administrative officer of the University and the chief academic officer, the Provost works very closely with the president of the University.

"Especially during the next several years at Bucknell, as we are conducting a capital campaign, the President will be on

the road doing a lot of fundraising, [so the] Provost will be particularly important," Antonaccio said.

The University's next Provost must be ready to handle the demands of the job.

"To be a Provost in this day and age requires an enormous range of skills, leadership qualities, experience, including a high level of academic excellence in their own field," Antonaccio said.

Lisa Bonnikson '10 felt that the University has done a good job with keeping the student body in the know with regards to the search.

"I have received several e-mails from the University that informed me about the search process and the workings of the search committee," Bonnikson said.

Mary A. DeCredico '81 resigned her post as Provost of the University on Oct. 1, 2007. She cited her love for teaching and research and her wishes to return to the Naval Academy as reasons for her resignation.

Chapter still active despite lack of house

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Office of the Fraternity.

This semester, the chapter is developing a two-year plan in conjunction with the University's Office of Greek Life to improve its standing on campus, said Will O'Brien '10, who was elected chapter president at the end of last semester.

A reorganization plan stipulating the amount of community service hours, philanthropy, educational programs and other goals required to get the house back is also developing under the supervision of the National Office and the Alumni Corporation.

"We will be expecting a significant service effort [from the chapter members] this semester," Buchmann said.

O'Brien said the loss of the house came as somewhat of a surprise to the chapter's brothers.

"Some people were disappointed. However, it's a reasonable consequence for breaking the contract that's signed by the leaseholder and the tenants," he said. "It's the responsibility of our undergraduate fraternity members to maintain [the house's] cleanliness. It was a matter of the brothers not undertaking their responsibilities rather than actual health threats that resulted in these reports," he said.

Since the chapter itself was not shut down, O'Brien plans for it to remain an active group on campus.

"While we may not have a chapter house for the time being in no way will we disappear as a major entity on this campus," O'Brien said.

Discussion to arm officers continues

By BETHANY LAVINS Writer

The Ad Hoc Task Force on Public Arming held another all-campus forum on Thursday, Jan. 17 to further address student, faculty and staff concerns, as well as discuss issues surrounding arming Public Safety officers.

Director of Public Safety Jason Friedberg briefly explained what the actual arming of Public Safety would entail. They would be looking at their existing staff, preparing officers who might never have carried a firearm and focus on training.

Friedberg said that Public Safety currently exceeds the yearly training requirements in addition to mandatory training they receive through the police academy.

He also said that in moving forward with the arming, he has been drawing from his own personal experiences on other campuses as well as looking at what similar colleges and universities have done.

He said storing guns in vehicles or in the Public Safety office would inhibit the officers' ability to respond quickly and effectively to an event on campus. The guns, to produce the maximum response time, need to be with the officers so they can protect both themselves and the campus.

Chief of Staff Dave Myers, eventually opened the floor for discussion. The Committee for Complimentary Activities (CCA) was concerned because members felt that they did not get the opportunity to make a second proposal strongly against arming to provide a more accurate view

of both sides.

While Myers said, "It is important to focus on the people in this room as representatives," both students and faculty were concerned with the timing of this forum. They felt that holding the forum immediately after break on the second day of classes did not give campus a fair opportunity to attend and evaluate the board's information.

Students and faculty were dissatisfied with the whole process. "If they presented overwhelming facts, then I would say okay and support it, but what they presented in the meetings was all very vague and unconvincing," Fenna Wachter '10 said.

Many people were still conflicted over the issue. Although concerned over the potential 45-minute Lewisburg police response time, the increased possibility of accidents resulting from introducing weapons into drinking party scenes made students and faculty wary over the issue.

Friedberg argued the University needs to give the officers the tools to do their jobs most effectively.

Many students and faculty are putting their trust in the University, and the University has done its best to research the issue thoroughly and find the best solutions.

"In the Bible, Romans 13 says that authority is there to protect us. I have to trust that [the Task Force] is moving toward what is in our best interest," Lyndsay Adams '10 said.

After fielding concerns from the audience, the Task Force ensured that more forums would follow as the semester progressed.

Ad Hoc Task Force on Public Arming:

Dave Myers, chief of staff
Wayne Bromfield, University general counsel

Susan Hopp, dean of students
Paul McGuire, professor of mathematics

Dave Surgala, vice president for finance and administration

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-Donald Graham

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NEWS BRIEFS

Simic and Roth to attend Commencement

President Brian C. Mitchell announced on Tuesday that Pulitzer Prize winners Philip Roth '54 and Charles Simic will attend the University's 158th Commencement ceremony on May 18. Simic, a National Book Award finalist, will deliver the commencement address. Roth, whose novels also won him the National Medal of Arts and the National Book Award, will receive the Stephen W. Taylor Medal. The medal, according to an email from Mitchell, is the University's most significant award. It is given to him for "his achievements as one of the most accomplished and respected authors of our time and the distinguished attention his success has brought to his alma mater," said the email.

Dartmouth joins trends towards affordable college

According to the New York Times, Dartmouth College announced a new program to make college more affordable for middle and lower class families. Undergraduates whose family income is less than \$75,000 will receive free tuition beginning this fall. Dartmouth also replaced loans with scholarships ranging from room and board to books. Dartmouth's \$10 million plan is one of many institutions that have taken the initiative to make college more affordable.

Afghan journalist sentenced to death

A 23-year-old journalism student was sentenced to death for publishing blasphemy in a local Afghan newspaper. Sayed Parviz Kambakhsh distributed an article accusing Muhammad the prophet as "a killer and adulterer." Kambakhsh's family denounced the sentence as unfair and is pushing for his right of appeal. According to the New York Times, Kambakhsh's case was delayed several times until the provincial Council of Clerics imposed the death sentence. This is the third case of a blasphemer in Afghanistan that calls for the death penalty since the removal of the Taliban regime.

Cause of Ledger's death still a mystery

Academy Award-nominated actor Heath Ledger was found dead at his apartment on Jan. 22. CNN reports that actor Heath Ledger's autopsy was inconclusive regarding his cause of death, and it would be about two weeks before more could be known. Investigators suspect a possible drug overdose. However, lab tests on a rolled-up twenty dollar bill found at the site yielded no drug residue. Ledger, 28, starred in "Brokeback Mountain," "A Knight's Tale," and "Ten Things I Hate About You," among others.

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University changes logo

By HALLIE STEBBINS News Editor

In efforts to lay further emphasis on its excellent academic standing, the University will now be referred to as "Bucknell University" by its academic and administrative entities, as opposed to simply "Bucknell."

The division of communications asserts that our position as a university plays an important role in the preservation of our reputation, the attraction of prospective students and the continued support of alumni.

The new wordmark is only a small part of a more comprehensive research study conducted on behalf of the University by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, in June of 2007.

Several of the recommendations made within the study seek to further the University's academic reputation, such as

"[focusing] on what the University is and what it has to offer," and "[comparing] Bucknell to its aspirational schools rather than those it hopes to leave behind."

The new wordmark seeks to achieve these goals by accentuating the University's position as an educational institution and therefore comparing it to other universities such as Duke University and Georgetown University.

At the same time, the new addition separates the University from other liberal arts colleges. The study notes that top liberal arts colleges such as Davidson and Colby do not refer to themselves as colleges, while top universities utilize the strong tradition and academic implications of the word "university."

The new wordmark can already be viewed on the University homepage. Some stu-

dents, faculty and members of the campus community may question the importance of altering a graphic that many do not notice.

In a message on the University Web site, President Brian C. Mitchell connects the University's wordmark with "providing a consistent image for our key constituents" and establishing a stronger reputation and image among other institutions.

The Peter D. Hart research study supports this viewpoint, stating that "especially among higher-education leaders (and some college professors), Bucknell is very far off the radar."

The study goes on to state that "there is a clear sense that Bucknell can shape what it will be. While it may not have the endowment of better-known schools, it can still make choices

that will support a new or different direction." The alteration of the wordmark seems to be intended as such a choice, highlighting the comprehensiveness of the University.

Student reaction to the new wordmark has been minimal; many students, in fact, are unaware that a change has taken place.

"I do not think that changing the wordmark of the University has any immediate effect on the student population. The results will probably be seen solely on an administrative level," Anna Juan '08 said.

The University hopes that the new wordmark will achieve its intended effect, so that students will reap the benefits of attending an institution whose reputation of academic excellence continues to grow beyond their four years at the University.

Focusing on the environment

Focus the Nation, Bucknell University Schedule of Events

Wednesday, Jan. 30
- 5pm, Campus Theater: "11th Hour", new climate documentary by Leonardo DiCaprio

Thursday, Jan. 31: Focus the Nation Teach-In

All Day — Interdisciplinary Discussion Panels (Harvey Powers Theater, Coleman) Professors discussing issues related to global climate change.

Session 1: "Obstacles to Change" - 8:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Session 2: "Tipping Points" - 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Session 3: "Can we afford not to stop global warming?" - 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Session 4: "Motivating Action" - 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.: LUNCH Campus Sustainability Celebration (Fieldhouse): Student bands, environmental research posters, nature-related art and humanities expo, sustainable business/industry expo, and more!

- 4 p.m.-5 p.m.: Nonpartisan, intergenerational discussion (Fieldhouse): Discussion between leading environmental students and invited elected officials about what the state and country are doing to address Global Climate Change

- 7:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m. — KEYNOTE ADDRESS (Trout Auditorium, Vaughn Lit): "The Daily Planet: On the Front Lines of Climate Change, from the North Pole to the White House": Andrew Revkin, New York Times senior environmental journalist

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The University has been honored as a leader within the Focus the Nation campaign.

"Bucknell is actually considered to be one of the top 50 institutions involved in this event, recognized by the national organizers as the hub of activity in central Pennsylvania," Scott said.

Scott heard about the event for the first time last October at a meeting of the Pennsylvania Environmental Research Consortium, a group of over 50 colleges and universities in the state that "is dedicated to brining education about sustainability and the environment into all curricula and all subjects on their campuses," Scott said.

She said she knew the University should be involved as soon as she heard about the event.

"I envisioned this event as something that would keep Bucknell at the forefront of discussions about reducing our ecological footprint [and] about global climate change," Scott said.

Focus the Nation is the brainchild of Professor Eban Goodstein of Lewis and Clark University. Goodstein began work on the idea about 13 months ago and spread it across the United States.

"His passion came from really wanting to start making the decisions, laying the groundwork for a just and sustainable future for our children—and this event is poised to do just that," Scott said.

Students are apparently eager to attend and participate in the program.

"As a biomedical engineer, I can imagine how my discipline could contribute to the issue, but

BSG ideas to simplify student life

By MAX FRIEDLANDER Contributing Writer

tion by publishing messages on YouTube.

The other goal of the BSG is a very straightforward one.

"I see our unwritten charge as making the life of the Bucknell student easier—from the way they move around campus to how they choose their courses and relate to the world," BSG President Harry Kastenbaum '09 said. Consistent with this view are the ideas described in BSG's platform, "The Winning Ticket."

One of the top initiatives of the new Executive Board is "Today@Bucknell." It is meant to serve as a home page for students that BSG says will "streamline and coordinate the overwhelming amount of material produced by academic departments, student organizations, athletics and more."

Included on the site will be dining menus, a guide to current and upcoming campus events, weather forecasts and other useful information. BSG is creating a new guidebook entitled "How things Work" that aims to provide stu-

dents with all the information needed to become an active member of the University's student body. Modeled off of an initiative at the Washington University in St. Louis, "How things Work" will be the ultimate resource for students looking to participate in any campus activity.

The current administration is developing and implementing a project called the Bucknell Course Review (BCR). Its main function is to create a legitimate venue from which students can read feedback about the courses they plan to take and the professors who teach them. Based on the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business, the BCR will give students an alternative to the popular Web site www.ratemyprofessors.com, which BSG sees as an "illegitimate and inaccurate venue for students to rely on."

The scope of BSG's plans focuses on the little "day to day" things as well. Another venture BSG is taking on this semester is Bison Bikes program. There will be 15-20 bikes which can be

used by students who sign up for the program.

BSG has plans to make facilities more accessible, as well. A common complaint from students is the long wait to use equipment.

"It seems like I spend half of my time at the gym waiting instead of getting a swell on," Billy Rittase '10 said. To allow for "better daily planning," BSG is taking on an initiative to install webcams in the gym so students can check the level of congestion before leaving their rooms.

BSG hopes the University and the lives of the students continue to improve as a result of these and other initiatives. Some students simply do not feel like their lives have been affected by the student government.

"My life at this school has not really changed, that I have noticed, as a result of BSG's actions," James Johnson '10 said. Time will tell if the new executive board's agenda will make this semester any different.

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EDITORIAL

Bucknell or Bucknell University: does it matter?

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The change in the University wordmark from "Bucknell" to "Bucknell University," brings to light the report filed by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc. on June 28, 2007. This 49-page report is accompanied by a strategy memo from the Communications department, released in November 2007, detailing how the University plans to respond to some of the issues highlighted by the research study, as a reflection of the Plan for Bucknell (University).

The study takes into account the opinions of other college presidents, higher-education leaders, alumni and parents on their perceptions of the University. The report points out problems the University should consider addressing.

The Communications memo cites "deepening" alumni pride in and commitment to Bucknell as one of the primary goals. This will be needed in order to raise money for the capital campaign and improve the

University's low endowment.

Rather than adding inane wordage to Bucknell University's name, the school should focus on making improvements that will truly engage alumni. Only 22 percent of alumni consider themselves very or fairly well informed about The Plan for Bucknell (University). This plan has been continually harped upon as necessary for providing for the future of the University.

What seemingly little information alumni have received has garnered a negative response. Following are quotes in the report from the alumni focus groups:

"I don't know what that means."

"It sounds elitist."

"It seems very Madison Avenue."

"There's no one school that's the best for everybody. It just doesn't make any sense."

"Honestly it sounds a little silly, like, 'Yale, watch out! Here comes Bucknell!'"

Some alumni also expressed dissatisfaction with the lack of career support for liberal arts majors. The report cited high support for the College of Engineering, management and accounting programs. Since Bucknell (University) brands itself

as "the nation's largest private liberal arts university," it should offer more avenues to help liberal arts majors to find jobs.

This is the tip of the iceberg for issues that the report addresses. There are positives listed in the report as well, such as praise for President Mitchell by fellow college presidents. We encourage students, faculty, alumni and parents to take the time to read the full reports at the following links: <http://www.bucknell.edu/documents/communication/CommunicationsStrategy.pdf> and <http://www.bucknell.edu/documents/communication/HartAlumniLeaderResearch.pdf>

Adding "University" to the word mark may indeed provide small changes in perception about the University, but will it do anything to change our status from that of a second-tier liberal arts institution? Changing a product's name will not change the product.

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"What changes, if any, would you like to see in the bison?"



"Change the prices of the wraps. I shouldn't have to pay extra for bacon."

— Kim Reynolds, '09

"More vegetarian options."

—Tulu Bayar, Assist.

Prof. of Art & Art History



"More soup variety."

— Linda Kang, '10

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— Andrew Lair, '08



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Opinions

Performance, art with a purpose

If action speaks louder than words, isn't it time to take more action?

SCOTT VAN PELT '10
Contributing Writer

Several groups on campus are making an exciting call for music, poetry and art. At the end of this month, the University will participate with countless other colleges and universities in Focus the Nation, a teach-in concerning climate change.

The students coordinating this event put out a call a number of weeks ago for various types of art. Recently, V-Day coordinators sent out an e-mail seeking poets, artists, sculptors and photographers who would be willing to display their work at the event.

These art-related events mark a change in the way information on our campus is being conveyed. People have finally realized that "talk," as the sole source of communication, is futile.

One of the most beautiful aspects about art—any kind of art—is that it demands a response. Art with a purpose refuses to go down quietly, refuses to be ignored. There is a reason V-Day always incites such an avalanche of responses, both positive and negative, after the actual event.

With its close connection to "The Vagina Monologues," certain aspects of V-Day, namely the theatrical element, get people in an uproar. The performance side of V-Day makes no pretenses about its R-rated nature and refuses to pass without forcing spectacular reactions.

There's a good chance that similarly

ephemeral speech.

According to Princeton Review's Web site, this University is one of the least politically aware schools in the region. While Focus the Nation may impact that statistic temporarily, there are other issues that demand recognition and action: the oil crisis, gay marriage, racism, corporate politics, healthcare. The list continues.

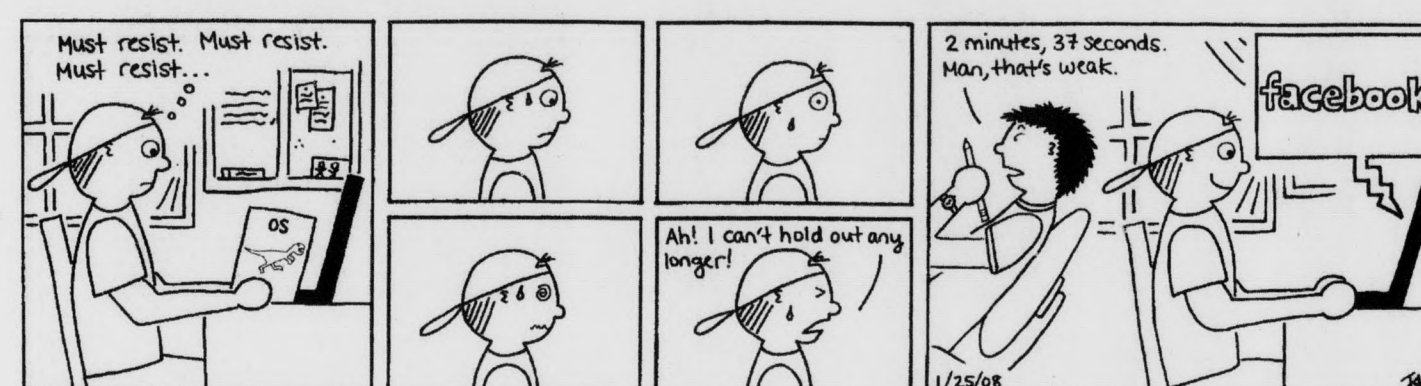
Art as a resource has yet to be explored to its full potential on campus. In semesters to come, I'd love to see political theater in the Grove, poetry chalked all the way down Moore Avenue and student bands writing and playing music to illustrate their point of view.

But this is a project too big for one individual, or even one group. If the University is to emerge as a more active institution, it should look to our artists. Universally, they have always been the collective voice of unreason, the militia of change and the conscience of countless generations.

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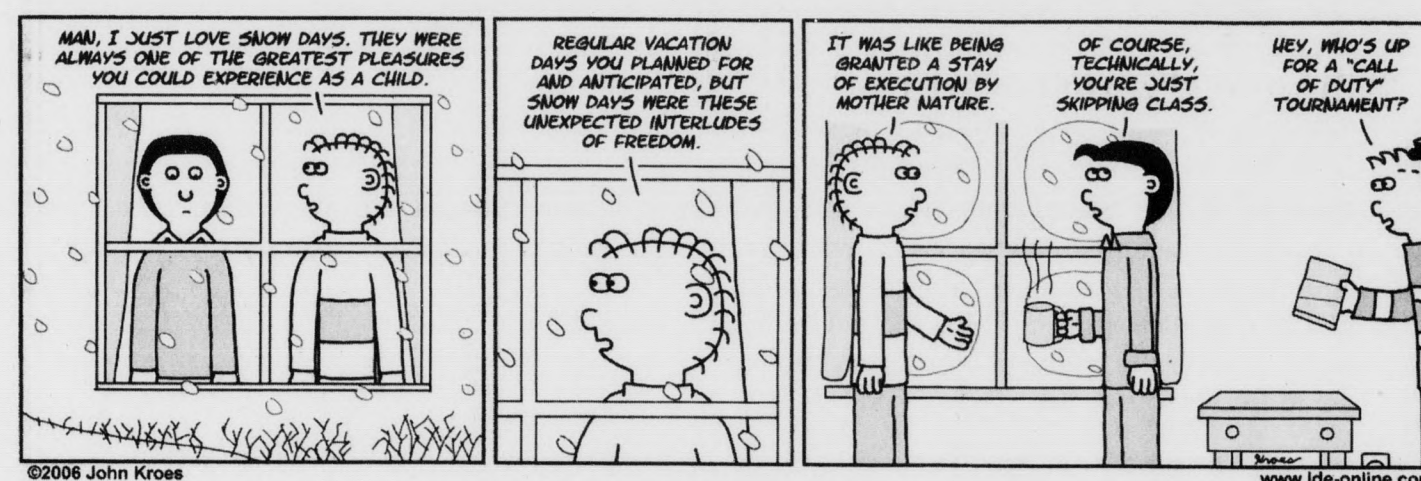
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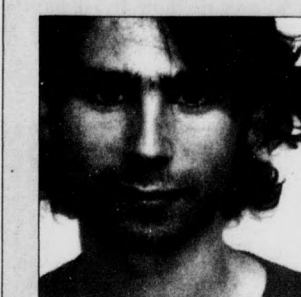
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My Favorite Mistake

Drive-by Drunks

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
Senior Writer



Last Friday night, I pulled myself together enough to be a good boyfriend and take my girlfriend out for a nice dinner and evening on the town. Since it is wintertime, everything seems to start a lot earlier—including the evening—so our excursion was finished by 8 p.m. My girlfriend is fond of wearing footwear that, while aesthetically pleasing, is highly impractical when it comes to keeping her feet warm—a major problem last Friday, since it was about 20 degrees outside. On the way home, we decided to pop into the 7th Street Café to warm up.

This required a short jaunt down Seventh Street. While talking and joking—you know, minding our own business—a car full of drunk guys drove by. They expressed a desire to do something rather inappropriate to my girlfriend—the kind of thing your mothers told you only to do behind closed doors.

Obviously, it is a mistake to expect to walk around campus on a Friday evening without receiving any harassment, verbal or otherwise.

But lest you think I feel guilty for bringing that verbal barrage of insults upon myself, let's look at a few key facts. First of all, it was barely 8 p.m. Who is so wasted by 8 p.m. that they are completely unable to control their actions? If it was one or two in the morning, I could understand a bit of drunkenness. But 8 p.m.? Talk about a cheap date.

Is drunkenness really an excuse for such immature behavior? For those of you playing at home, the answer is no. If you can't control yourself after a few drinks, you shouldn't be drinking in the

first place. Yes, it's okay to be a bit silly after you've had a few beers, but getting in a car is the epitome of irresponsibility, and yelling disgusting things at pedestrians is simply rude. Then again, the reason we have statistics like "1 in 4" is because too many students excuse such behavior by saying, "Oh, I was drunk." We've got to draw the line somewhere.

Immature behavior like that is the reason why many women (and hey, even some guys) are afraid, or at least reluctant, to walk around alone at night.

I have no doubt that this guy and his friends probably thought they were pretty funny. And they were—assuming there were a bunch of 12-year-olds riding in the back seat with them. But last I checked, there weren't a lot of 12-year-olds at the University; I've got news for any dude who thinks this stuff is funny: The only other people who find it humorous and "badass" are people who ride around on skateboards and make "your mama is so fat" jokes.

But the empathetic side of me argues that this isn't a case of immaturity—it's a case of biology. I imagine that this young man's comment was intended to assert himself as an alpha male, which means that the women of the University would be practically required to mate with him (or so my watching of the Discovery Channel tells me).

If that's the case, kudos to him. There's no better way to assert your dominance over another male than by insulting his girlfriend from the passenger seat of a car that is rapidly speeding away. Women find this sort of behavior attractive, right? That's why I was walking home from dinner with a woman while he was riding around in a car full of boys.

Bottom line: I'm all for having fun, but we're in college now, guys. It's time to grow up. Next time you go out drinking, just remember: Friends don't let friends act like 12-year-olds.

Last weekend's performances

Two bands rock Uptown



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Opener Edison
Glass, left, played
a crowd-pleasing
set before the
alternative band
Mae, above, took
the stage. The
headliner played
fan favorites to a
wall-to-wall crowd.



Encho Tjin —The Bucknellian

The many faces of Eliot Chang



Encho Tjin —The Bucknellian

Eliot Chang performed his diversity-focused comedy at Trout Auditorium on Jan 18

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Above: Keira Knightley was not nominated, but her film "Atonement" is up for best picture. Right: "No Country for Old Men," starring Tommy Lee Jones, is a frontrunner for Best Picture. Jones himself received a nomination for the film "In the Valley of Elah."



Oscar forecast: Saylor weighs winners, losers

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

On Tuesday morning, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences unveiled the nominees for the 80th Annual Academy Awards. The awards are scheduled to be handed out on Feb. 24.

Here is an early look at some films and filmmakers who are already winners or losers.

Winners:

"There Will Be Blood" and "No Country for Old Men" – These two films led the pack with eight nominations apiece, including Best Picture.

Academy Award winner Daniel Day-Lewis received his fourth Oscar nomination for his leading role in "There Will Be Blood," which also received nods for Best Adapted Screenplay (Paul Thomas Anderson) and Achievement in Directing (Anderson again).

Joel and Ethan Coen directed and adapted the screenplay for "No Country for Old Men," and the film received nominations in both of those categories. The duo also received nominations for editing the film and as producers in the Best Picture category.

Javier Bardem is considered the frontrunner to win the Oscar for Best Actor in a Supporting Role, for his role as a sociopathic killer in the Coens' film.

"Michael Clayton" – This film led by George

Clooney received seven nominations, including one for his star. Tom Wilkinson and Tilda Swinton received nominations in the supporting category, and Tony Gilroy received his first career nominations for his original script and directing the film.

"Juno" – The little film that could has found itself with four nominations, including Best Picture, Best Original Screenplay (Diablo Cody) and Best Achievement in Direction (Jason Reitman). Ellen Page stole the hearts of many with her leading performance as a pregnant teenager named Juno, and has a chance to become the youngest winner ever of the Best Actress in a Leading Role trophy.

"Atonement" – The fifth Best Picture nominee, "Atonement" also received a nomination for Best Adapted Screenplay (Christopher Hampton). Thirteen year-old Saoirse Ronan is the youngest nominee this year, competing in the Supporting Actress category.

The film received a total of seven nominations, but director Joe Wright and stars Keira Knightley and James McAvoy did not receive recognition, ranking this film's chances slightly less than those listed above.

"Ratatouille" – The eighth collaboration between Disney and Pixar resulted in five nominations, including the expected Best Animated Feature. The film also received a nomination for Best Original Screenplay (Brad Bird). This is not surprising, as Bird received a nomination in this category before—for "The Incredibles."

"Ratatouille" will also compete for Sound Editing, Sound Mixing and Best Original Score. Cate Blanchett – With dual nominations this year, the Oscar winner competes for Academy Awards in both the Lead and Supporting Actress categories.

Blanchett plays Queen Elizabeth I in "Elizabeth: The Golden Age," reprising the role that earned her a nomination for the film "Elizabeth" a decade ago.

Her supporting nomination is for "I'm Not There," where she portrayed a man similar to Bob Dylan. This role earned Blanchett a Golden Globe earlier this month.

Alan Menken and Stephen Schwartz – Three of the songs in the Best Original Song category come from the film "Enchanted," and were penned by Menken and Schwartz.

Menken now has 18 lifetime Oscar nominations, including eight wins for his work on such films as "Pocahontas," "Aladdin," "Beauty and the Beast" and "The Little Mermaid." Schwartz now has eight career nominations and has won three Academy Awards for "The Prince of Egypt" and "Pocahontas."

Losers:

"American Gangster" – The star power of Denzel Washington and Russell Crowe was not enough to elevate this film to more than two nominations. Washington and Crowe, both Oscar winners, were not nominated, but 83-year old co-star Ruby Dee did receive her first career

nomination.

The eldest of all of this year's nominees, Dee portrayed the mother of Denzel Washington's drug lord character.

"Charlie Wilson's War" – Tom Hanks plus Julia Roberts plus Aaron Sorkin plus Mike Nichols equals one nomination. Only Philip Seymour Hoffman heard his name called on Tuesday, for his role as a quirky CIA agent. Hoffman won an Oscar two years ago for his work as Truman Capote in "Capote."

Jon Stewart hosted the awards that night, and is the host again this year, perhaps giving some good karma to a film that could use it.

"Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street" – Tim Burton's musical received just three nominations, including one for star Johnny Depp. This is the third nomination in the last five years for Depp, but he is still looking for his first win.

Depp will be hard pressed though to beat previous winners Clooney, Day-Lewis (the favorite) and Tommy Lee Jones ("In the Valley of Elah") as well as first time nominee Viggo Mortensen ("Eastern Promises").

"Into the Wild" – Sean Penn directed and wrote this critically acclaimed film, but the award-winning actor's turn behind the scenes resulted in just two nominations for the film.

Eighty-two year old Hal Holbrook was nominated in the Best Actor in a Supporting Role category, his first career nomination. He is the only one with any chance to defeat Bardem.

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KC & The Sunshine Band and the Village People to entertain at Chrysalis

By MICHELLE LAXER
News Editor

KC & The Sunshine Band and the Village People will lead the celebrations at the University's 10th annual Chrysalis Ball set for Friday, April 25. The two bands will personify the 1970s theme of this year's dance.

Chrysalis, the end of the year semi-formal dance, is a unique event that presents students with the opportunity to mingle and celebrate the past year with their professors, administrators and other staff members. The dance is sponsored by Activities and Campus Events (ACE), the Traditions Committee, the President's Office and Bucknell Student Government (BSG).

"How often do you get the chance to hang out with staff, faculty, trustees and alumni at the same time?" Sara Goodwin, assistant director of campus activities & programs, said. "You can grab a drink with President Mitchell or see Reverend Ian Oliver out there dancing."

One of the most anticipated aspects of the evening is the entertainment. Because this year marks the 10th anniversary of Chrysalis, the members of the Traditions Committee felt it was necessary to do something special.

"The students felt that if we could get these two bands together that would be an amazing way to celebrate 10 years," Goodwin said.

The event's main attraction, KC & The Sunshine Band, was formed by Harry "KC" Wayne Casey and Richard Finch in the early 1970s, releasing their first song "Blow Your Whistle" in September 1973. On the band's official Web site, its music is described as a "unique fusion of R&B and funk, with a hint of a Latin percussion groove."

The band's first major hit in the United States came in 1975 with "Get Down Tonight." Their other popular songs include the dance floor anthems, "(Shake, Shake, Shake)

Shake Your Booty," "That's the Way (Like I)," "I'm Your Boogie Man," and "Keep It Comin' Love."

KC & The Sunshine Band stopped performing after Casey's retirement in 1985. In 1991 Casey came out of retirement to reform The Sunshine Band with new members and began touring again.

Opening for KC & The Sunshine Band are the Village People, the famous costumed disco group. Founder, producer and composer Jacques Morali was inspired to form the group after seeing Felipe Rose dancing in a crowd in Greenwich Village, N.Y. dressed in his Native American costume. Rose later became the Native American chief of the Village People.

The other original members of the group were Alex Briley the soldier, David Hodo the construction worker, Glenn Hughes the biker, Randy Jones the cowboy, and lead singer and songwriter Victor Willis the cop. The six characters are supposed to represent the icons of masculine occupations in Greenwich Village.

They released their self-titled album in 1977, which included "San Francisco (You've Got Me)" and "In Hollywood (Everybody is a Star)." They are most well known for disco staples such as "Y.M.C.A.," "In the Navy," "Macho Man" and "Go West."

Hughes, Jones and Willis were replaced respectively by Eric Anzalone in 1995, Jeff Olson in 1980, and Ray Simpson in 1979. Hughes died from lung cancer in 2001.

Jenny Hirsch '10, the chair of the Traditions committee, was one of the first students to know about the headlining bands.

"I'm very excited about having KC & The Sunshine Band and the Village People, and I think the rest of the student body will be too," she said. "These two bands are a great choice because they play some classic songs that people of any age know and can



KC & The Sunshine Band, led by Harry Wayne Casey (above), is known for its high energy performances (top). Right: The Village People (right) gets the crowd excited with hits like "Y.M.C.A." and "Macho Man."

enjoy."

KC & The Sunshine Band and the Village People are only one part of the celebrations for this year's Chrysalis. Plans are underway to ensure the food will last the entire night. According to Goodwin, this includes the return of the chocolate fountains. To complement the dance and disco music, the Gerhard Fieldhouse will be decorated

to invoke a "classy" 1970s atmosphere.

"Because this is the 10th anniversary of Chrysalis, we wanted to go a little bit bigger," Goodwin said. "This meant reallocating our budget to make it the best it can be."

Chrysalis tickets go on sale Monday, March 17. Tickets purchased before Monday, March 31 will be \$15

for students and \$25 for all others. Tickets purchased after March 31 will be \$20 for students and \$30 for all others. They can be bought at the CAP Center (LC 306), the campus box office or online at www.bucknell.edu/boxoffice. Cash, check or BUID are accepted and there is no restriction to the number of tickets purchased.



VILLAGE PEOPLE

27 Dresses: Uplifting and Fun!

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

Delightful. That's one word I would use to describe the movie "27 Dresses" that opened in theaters Jan. 18 after several sneak previews and a delayed release. A romantic comedy directed by Anne Fletcher and written by Aline Brosh McKenna, the film perhaps is unoriginal in plot and form but remains fun and entertaining.

The story centers on the charming and always accommodating Jane, played by Katherine Heigl of "Knocked Up" and "Grey's Anatomy." Jane is an organized, intelligent and caring woman who takes care of everyone but herself.

A lover of weddings and a reader of the weekly wedding section in the "New York Journal," she continuously plans weddings for all of her friends and family.

Balancing both her hectic full-time job and her side job as a wedding planner soon becomes a nightmare once she loses her "filofax"—her organizer, schedule and planner—on the night that she is a bridesmaid for the 27th time.

Luckily, that same night, a dashing and handsome writer named Kevin Doyle, played by James Marsden, comes to her rescue, but she is reluctant to accept any kind of help from a cynical columnist who writes about wedding commitments for the "New York Journal."

Jane's life comes to utter chaos once her attractive but inattentive boss and secret crush, George (Edward Burns) meets her outgoing and flighty younger sister, Tess (Mallin Akerman).

Tess quickly seduces George with countless lies and within weeks, Jane is forced to plan their wedding.

although her heart breaks at the thought of it.

In the midst of planning her sister's wedding, Jane encounters journalist Kevin Doyle once again. He claims to be reporting on the upcoming nuptials, but he's really writing an in-depth piece about Jane's tendency to take care of those around her and her inability to say no.

Also appearing in this film are Judy Greer of "The Wedding Planner" as Jane's best friend Casey, and Melora Hardin of "The Office" as Kevin's newspaper editor.

Will Jane learn to take control of her life? Will she be able to step from bridesmaid to bride herself and finally realize her dreams?

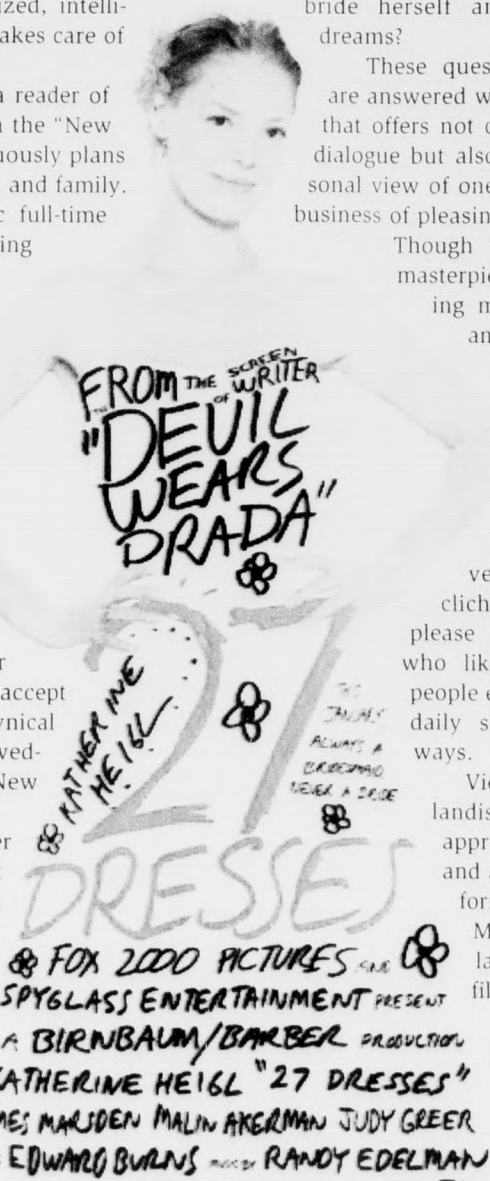
These questions and plenty more are answered within the cheerful movie that offers not only witty and engaging dialogue but also an intriguing and personal view of one girl's struggle with the business of pleasing people.

Though this film is no artistic masterpiece, it's a fun and uplifting movie that can brighten any gloomy day. It even features a hilarious musical number that will make everyone laugh out loud.

Well-written, though formulaic, conventional and possibly clichéd, "27 Dresses" will please any audience member who likes to watch attractive people encounter and overcome daily struggles in fascinating ways.

Viewers will love the outlandish bridesmaid dresses, appreciate the subtle humor and admire the dazzling performance by the talented Marsden, who has finally landed a lead role in a film.

Heigl positively shines in her role as Jane and delivers a performance worthy of her rising fame.



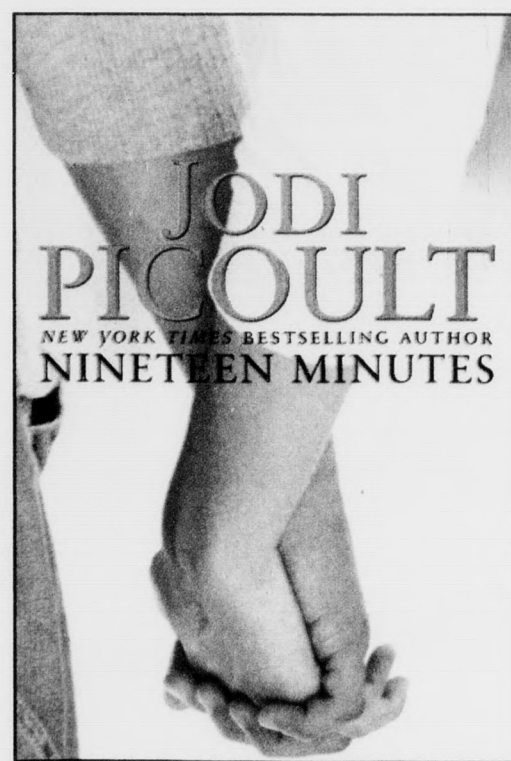
Jodi Picoult's "Nineteen Minutes" is a haunting and complex fictional study of school violence

By JULIA FUCHS
Senior Writer

According to The New York Times, schools all over the country are scrambling to review, revise and renew their safety procedures due to the number of school shootings and acts of violence in recent years. Jodi Picoult takes her latest book in a different direction. She examines this issue from a much more emotional and perhaps more dreaded standpoint: why do young people commit these crimes in the first place? What is it that drives them to the extreme?

Sterling, N.H. is a small, normal town most people would pass by without a second glance. For one 17-year-old life has been anything but normal. Peter Houghton has been subjected to acts of verbal and physical abuse as long as he can remember, not only from classmates but from home as well. Josie Cormier, once his best friend, has left him for the popular crowd that instigates much of the harassment. When one final episode of bullying brings Peter to load his backpack with four guns and kill nine students and one teacher in nineteen minutes, the people of this small town are left to piece together their lives through finding the truth of how this could happen.

In the months of the aftermath, everyone's lives are scrutinized in a desperate attempt to find motive and justice. Peter's parents, blaming themselves for their son's monstrous action, relentlessly go over what they might have done to provoke him to such a state. Josie witnessed the last moments of the shooting but claims she cannot remember what happened. Josie's mother, Judge Alex Cormier, has been assigned to the Houghton case and must decide between her love and helping her shaken daughter. The survivors all have their own accounts of what happened, but as the book attempts to sort through the surviving victims' lives, looking at the relationships between the popular kids and the alienation of those who are not, one must



Jodi Picoult (Above) and her recent book, Nineteen Minutes.

remember Peter, himself a victim, who has his own story to share.

This novel is certainly not for a younger audience; its rich and complex details make for a compelling read. Its graphic descriptions and exploration into the characters' emotional insides may be too much to those still struggling with the general theme. As the topic is hauntingly accurate, it is a great book to discuss with peers, parents and teens because it asks the question, "How is being different really treated in today's society?" As Peter's words tell the world, "they started it."

As with any of Picoult's novels, the answers are never given as the reader is left to make his own conclusions. The differences between right and wrong are suddenly startlingly unclear, and the views a reader started the book with are challenged to the extremes. This is partly why it is such a joy to read Picoult's creations—you never know where you are going to wind up in the end. Is relentless bullying a justifiable cause for murder? Does it take a monster to commit what most consider a parent's worst nightmare? You might surprise yourself by the end of this novel.



Courtesy of Jodi Picoult
Jodi Picoult (Above) and her recent book, Nineteen Minutes.

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Bison fall to Lafayette, after Holy Cross high

Orange and Blue follow emotionally charged win with loss to Leopards

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

The Orange and Blue men's basketball team saw its 14-game regular-season winning streak against league opponents come to an end with a 80-68 loss to the Lafayette Leopards in Easton, Pa. on Wednesday. The team was out Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 for this one, as he was serving a one-game suspension following his ejection from the Bison's 73-65 win against Holy Cross last Friday in Worcester, Mass. With the loss to Lafayette, the Bison (8-10, 3-1) move into a tie for second in the Patriot League with American (11-8, 3-1), while the Leopards sit alone at the top (13-6, 4-0).

A recurring problem for the Orange and Blue this season has been slow starts, and that was no different on Wednesday, as the Leopards led 14-4 just five minutes and 51 seconds into the game. Lafayette averages more than 10 made three-pointers per game, and it connect for 14 against the Bison in 33 attempts.

The Leopards had made five three-pointers and led by 19, 27-8, with 8:29 left in the first half. The closest the Bison would get was 14 for the rest of the first half, and the team trailed 43-27 at intermission.

Lafayette extended the lead to 25 at the 10:48 mark of the second half, 67-42, before the Bison would go on a 12-0 run

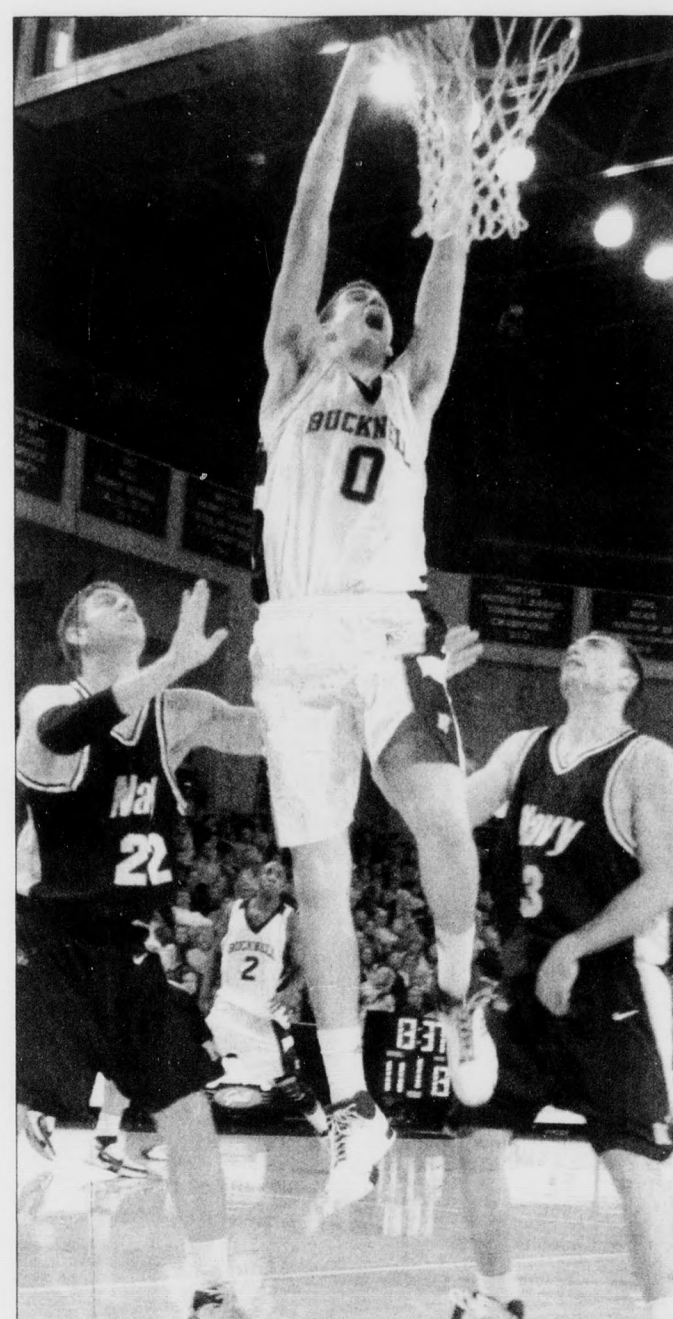
over the next four minutes. Stephen Tyree '10 had five points, three rebounds and two steals during this stretch. Thirteen was as close as the team would get as the game wound down to garbage time. Darryl Shazier '11 hit a three with the Bison reserves on the floor to cut the final margin to 12.

The Orange and Blue out rebounded Lafayette by 8, but allowed the Leopards to shoot 48.1 percent from the field. The Bison committed 19 turnovers and had only six assists, compared to the 17 assists and 11 turnovers of Lafayette. Andrew Brown hit seven of Lafayette's shots from behind the arc to finish with a game-high 28 points. John Griffin led the Bison with 13 points. Tyree scored a career-high 12, and Darren Mastropolo '08 and Justin Castleberry each had 10 points. Josh Linticum '09 missed his fourth consecutive game with a knee injury.

On a positive note, the Orange and Blue shot 56.5 percent from the field, and their bench outscored Lafayette's, 21-7.

The rivalry with Holy Cross (9-8, 0-4) is well known throughout the league, and the national audience who tuned into watch the game on ESPN saw that rivalry continue

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Todd O'Brien '11 soars above Navy defenders. O'Brien scored six points in the 85-77 win.



Saylor Says

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

Since the publication of our last issue on Nov. 30, 2007, the Bison men's basketball team has played 13 games, including Wednesday night's match-up in Easton, Pa. against Lafayette.

Here is a chronological five-minute guide to 11 of those games. You can find information about the Lafayette game and the Jan. 18 thriller against Holy Cross in a separate article.

10. Saint Francis (Pa.) (L, 57-54, in Lewisburg) - The Orange and Blue changed their starting lineup for this game, using Todd O'Brien '11 instead of Josh Linticum '09 and Justin Castleberry '09, respectively, to open the game. The team got off to a quick 8-2 start and led 30-24 at halftime, but lost the lead after scoring just three points in the first 11 minutes and five seconds of the second half. The Orange and Blue trailed 56-40

Track and field teams dash past the competition

By BRIAN MULLIGAN
Sports Editor

The men's and women's track and field teams both finished first at the Bucknell Heptagonal this past Saturday at Gerhard Fieldhouse. The men's team notched three IC4A qualifying performances and beat out five teams, while the women's team won four events to place ahead of the six teams. Both teams scored 171 points on their way to beating out teams from Duquesne, Saint Francis (Pa.) and Shippensburg.

The team's excitement about the upcoming season helped the Bison post some top marks. "The two remarkable strengths that we have are the willingness to win and the positive, encouraging attitude that everyone has," Kyle Anthony '10 said. "If you hear people yelling and clapping during the middle of the week, it's probably the track team, cheering on people during runs, throws, jumps - whatever we may be doing."

Anthony notched a first-place finish with a jump of 23-1, qualifying for the IC4A championship and took second in the triple jump with a mark of 46-7. Kerry Boyle '09 qualified for the IC4A championship in the 400-meter dash, crossing the finish line in 48.90, while teammate Guy Castranova '11 posted a

time of 50.26 to take fifth overall. "Our men competed very well and really showed off our depth and power," Head coach Kevin Donner said. "It was a very nice early season scored meet for us. We are trying to work through a few nagging injuries from some key people and when we get them back—we will be a tough team to beat at Patriot Leagues in four weeks."

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Water Polo head coach steps down

John Zeigler '91 leaves team before start of season to pursue legal career

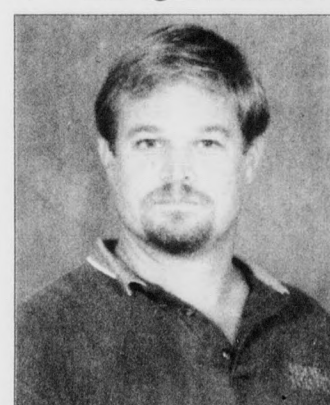
By JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

Your first time watching a water polo match is a lesson in respect. The pace of play, the constant whistles, the back and forth motion of the ball, the shouts from the benches—everything hits you at once. You will soon be on your feet, a luxury that those in the pool never have, and with everyone else in the crowd you'll be chanting and yelling until the final buzzer sounds. It is truly a game unlike any other. Last week the University said farewell to one of its greatest coaches; men's and women's Head Coach John Zeigler '91 resigned after standing at the helm for nearly a decade.

"John did a tremendous job during his nine years leading Bucknell's water polo program, and with some regret, we wish John nothing but happiness and future success," said John Hardt, director of athletics and recreation. "He will be missed by students, faculty and staff alike, but his lasting contributions to the Bison water polo program are appreciated and will not be forgotten."

After a successful athletic career at the University from 1987 to 1991, during which he captained both the swimming and water polo teams, Zeigler returned to campus in 1992 to take the head coach job for a season, leading the team to a 14-12 record. After a brief hiatus, Zeigler returned in 2000 to re-take not only the reins of the men's team but also those of the young women's team, which was just in its second year of competition.

More than eight years later, Zeigler now takes his leave of



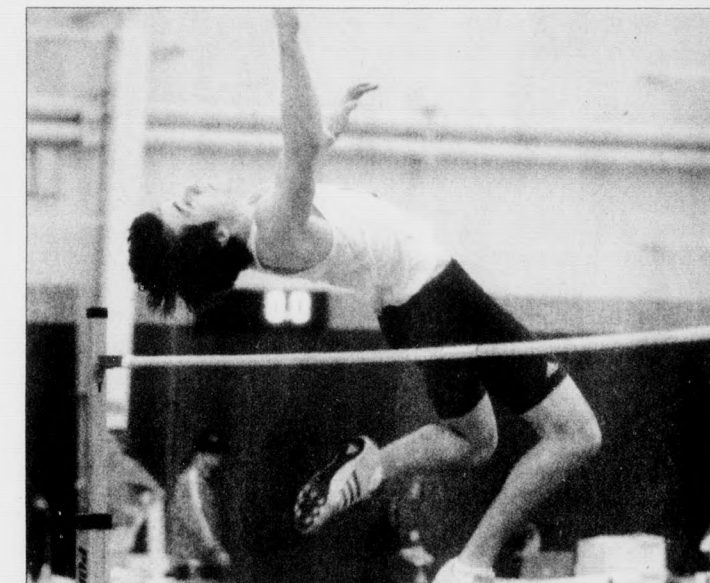
Courtesy of Athletic Communications
John Zeigler '91 coached both the men's and women's water polo teams.

Kinney Natatorium, the home of the Bison, sporting a 134-148 record with the men's team and a 139-118 tally with the women. The men's team has made the Eastern's Championships every year, finishing this past season ranked 19th in the nation, while the women chalked up back-to-back 23-win seasons in 2005 and 2006.

"[Zeigler] has been extremely dedicated to the program throughout his tenure and committed all his time and energy to making improvements to our lives both in and out of the pool," men's team co-captain Jason Rehel '08 said. "He will really be missed next year, but we wish him nothing but the best in the future. Our team really would not have been the same without [him] here the past four years."

Associate Head Coach John Abdou will stand in as head coach for the remainder of the season and will guide the women's team as they begin their season early next month.

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Nicholas Hruach '11 clears the bar in the high jump. Hruach also placed second in the 500-meter run on Saturday.

3,000-meter run, while teammate Andrew Huebner '10 placed fifth with a time of 8:51.02.

Brian Mooney '08 earned first-place honors in the 500-

meter, edging out teammate Nicholas Hruach '11 by a mere .01 second. Timothy

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Women's basketball loses back to back games

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

The women's basketball team suffered tough back-to-back home losses this past week to even its league record at 2-2. The Bison, now 7-11 overall and fifth in the Patriot League, lost 64-58 in overtime on Wednesday to Lafayette, and 48-40 on Sunday to Holy Cross.

The loss to the Leopards (11-8, 3-1) was particularly painful for the Orange and Blue because of the many opportunities they had to win the game. Missed lay-ups, missed free throws, failing to secure key defensive rebounds hurt the Bison throughout the night, and it all came to light in the game's last few minutes. It looked to be

a sure loss for the Bison, until Lauren Schober '09 tied the score at 55 with 2.2 seconds left in regulation by nailing a 25-

"We are just struggling keeping our confidence level up right now."

—Kathy Fedorjaka, head coach

foot desperation three-pointer which banked in off the glass.

"I'm glad we pushed [the game] into overtime," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "It gives us new life, but really only

if you make the corrections that you need too. We had three straight minutes of bad offensive possessions to start the overtime."

The Bison only were able to score three points in the overtime, missing seven of eight field goals and a free throw, while Lafayette's nine made free throws was enough to give it the win. Lafayette made only 17 of 31 free throws for the game, but the Orange and Blue made only 12 of 22 and shot just 35.5 percent from the field for the game. The Leopards out rebounded the Bison by seven and made five of their 11 three-pointers.

Fedorjaka and the Bison, known for their pressure man-to-man defense, opened up with and played much of the game in a zone. Lafayette took advantage early, making 10 of their first 16

shots, but shot just 11 of 34 for the rest of the night as the Orange and Blue settled into the new look.

"I was disappointed in those first 10 minutes because we worked on [the zone], Fedorjaka said. "I thought [the players] knew what to do, but didn't attack with confidence."

She continued, "You can look at the end of the game, but that start killed us and is the biggest factor [in the loss]."

Hope Foster '08 had her best effort in several outings, with game-highs of 16 points, nine rebounds and four blocks, while playing all 45 minutes of the game.

"Hope posted stronger tonight," Fedorjaka said. "She had her mind made

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Wrestling defeats Brown; falls to ranked opponents

Orange and Blue tame Bears 21-12 at home, while struggling with highly competitive schedule over break

By KYLE BARNOLLAR
Sports Editor

The wrestling team improved to 2-2 in EIWA competition last Friday with a 21-12 victory over Brown in Davis Gym. The win ends a three-match winless streak for the Orange and Blue, who now move to 5-7-1 on the season after facing some tough competition over the holiday break.

The Bison opened the meet with three straight wins and never looked back. Decisions from Greg Hart '10 at 125 pounds, No. 15 ranked Dave Marble '10 at 133, and Luke Chohany '10 at 141 helped give the Orange and Blue an early 9-0 lead from the get go.

Brown was able to pull to within 9-6 after wins in the 149- and 157-pound weight classes, but a pin by Andy Rendos '10 at 165 followed by another decision by Shane Riccio '10 at 174 stretched the lead to 18-6 and all but squashed any possible comeback hopes.

After two more Brown

victories, George Hingson '10 added three more points for the Bison with a 2-1 victory in the heavyweight division to finalize the 21-12 win.

The win was the first for the Bison since their 47-0 shutout of Wagner on Jan. 6. The Orange and Blue posted five pins and two major decisions in a total of just 10 bouts against the Seahawks.

Unfortunately the win over Wagner would be the only easy match for the Bison over the break. Just two days before the shutout win, the Bison faced the then No. 8 ranked team in the country—the Missouri Tigers.

The Bison may have been outmatched but they certainly did not back down against the Big 12 powerhouses, notching three wins including an upset by the players, but a story told by Abdu casts some light on how much Zeigler loves the game of water polo, and how much fun he has coaching it.

"We run a water polo summer camp here at Bucknell, which was a time I always learned a lot from Coach Zeigler," Abdu said. "There was one day at camp when Coach Zeigler was working with a small group of girls and they were having a tough time paying attention. After a lot of patience, Coach Zeigler jumped straight in the water, fully clothed and everything. It really showed how excited he was to teach the sport, and how important learning was to him."

Although Zeigler will no longer battle the Midshipmen of Navy or the Tigers of Princeton, he will have plenty to do as he pursues a career as a practicing attorney in the Harrisburg area. Though it is hard to see great coaches leave, the legacy they have left remains with their programs, driven on by the respect that they so rightfully earned.

The schedule did not get any easier for the Bison, as they traveled to the Virginia Duals on Jan. 11 to face No. 7 Kent State, Oregon State and Lehigh.

"Wrestling teams like Missouri, Kent and Lehigh is essential," Dave Marble said. "We improve as a team when seeing top-level competition."

In a 26-9 loss to Kent State, Marble once again upset a higher-ranked 133-pound wrestler as he took down Dan Mitchell, then ranked 13th in the nation.

Later in the day, the Bison dropped a heart-breaking match to Lehigh. Each team won five individual matches, but a major decision by Alex Iacocca over Charlie Wonseller '11 was the difference as the Mountain Hawks escaped with a 16-15 victory, winning on criteria for a tied match.

"Although our match against Lehigh was an upsetting loss, we look forward to

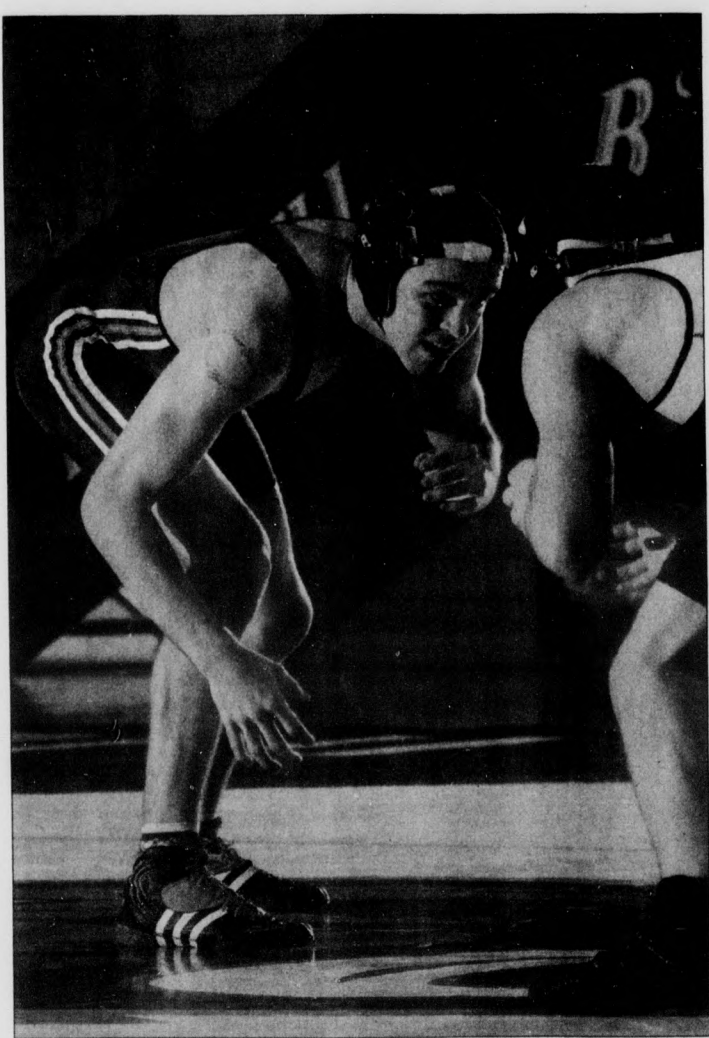
beating them in the EIWAs," Shane Riccio said.

In the final match of the tough Virginia Duals, the Bison took on Oregon State. After winning five of the first seven matches, the Orange and Blue dropped their final three. A technical fall by Travis Gardner over Hingson in the final bout gave the Beavers the five points they needed to draw a 17-17 tie.

The Bison will now look to use the experience gained from facing tougher opponents and put together a strong finish to the season. Next up, the Orange and Blue will travel to face Davidson, Liberty, The Citadel and Old Dominion this weekend.

"We have the heart of our schedule coming up and a tough six weeks ahead of us," Riccio said. "So the preparation is key and the coaches are lightening practices to let us feel as good as possible for these matches."

Look for the Bison as they return to Davis Gym on Feb. 8 to face Lock Haven.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Kevin LeValley '11 sizes up his competition. LeValley has won 16 of his 24 matches this season.

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up that she was going to see the ball a lot."

Kristina Collymore '08 scored 13 points and had three steals, but missed four of her seven free throws, including three big ones late in the game. Schober had 12 points, eight rebounds and four assists, but committed nine turnovers.

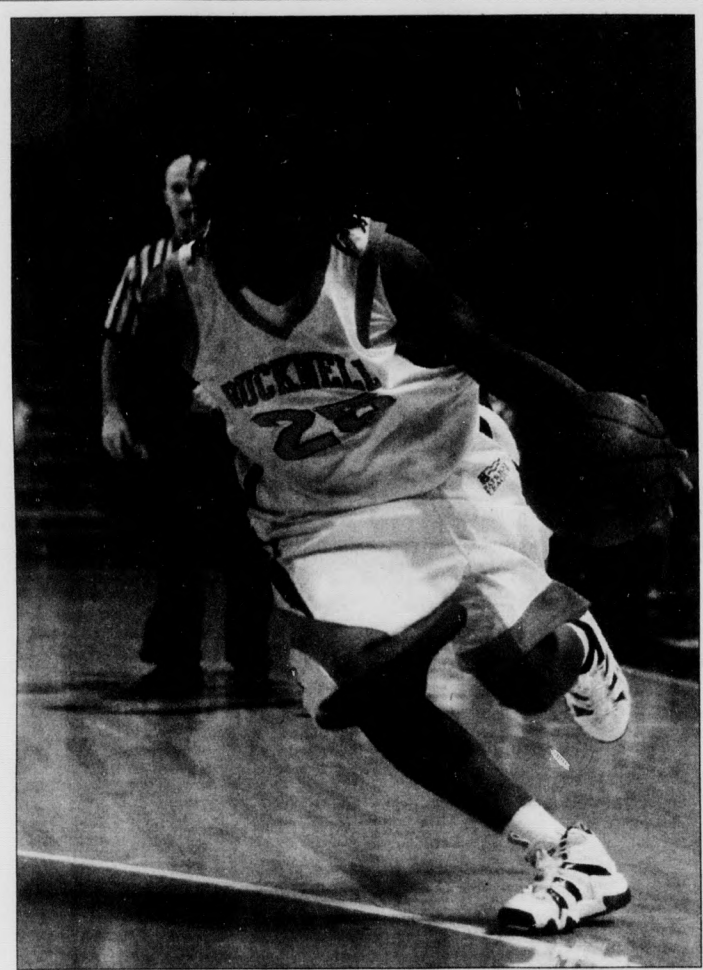
The Orange and Blue started strong against the Crusaders, jumping out to an 11-4 lead at the 12:43 mark of the opening frame behind eight quick points from Foster. Briana McFadden kept Holy Cross in the game, scoring 14 of her team's 19 first-half points, that kept the Crusaders within eight at the half.

"She got big hoop after big hoop for us," Holy Cross Head Coach Bill Gibbons said. "She was a rock out there."

McFadden got more support after the half, and the game became a back-and-forth affair. Bethan O'Dell hit a three with 59.5 seconds remaining to give the Crusaders a three-point lead, 46-43. O'Dell had missed her first 10 shot attempts prior to that clutch make.

The Bison tied the game for the eighth and final time with 43.1 seconds left in the game thanks to a Keshia Champion '08 three.

McFadden injured herself driving to the basket, drawing a foul on the play, and Christy Cushnie made one of two free



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Keshia Champion '08 drives toward the basket. The Bison will take on Colgate this Saturday at 2 p.m. in Sojka Pavilion.

throws in her stead to give Holy Cross the lead for good. O'Dell added one more free throw after a Bison turnover, and Champion missed a jumper as time wound down to end the game.

"We are just struggling keeping our confidence level up right now," Federjaka said of shots her team missed down the stretch.

Champion finished with 13 points and five assists, while

Foster had 12 points and five blocks.

The Bison return to action Saturday, hosting Colgate at 2 p.m. It was the Raiders who knocked the heavily-favored Orange and Blue out in the quarterfinals of the Patriot League Tournament last season. They have lost 18 of their 19 games so far this season and our 0-4 in league play. The Bison travel to Lehigh (12-7, 4-0) on Wednesday.

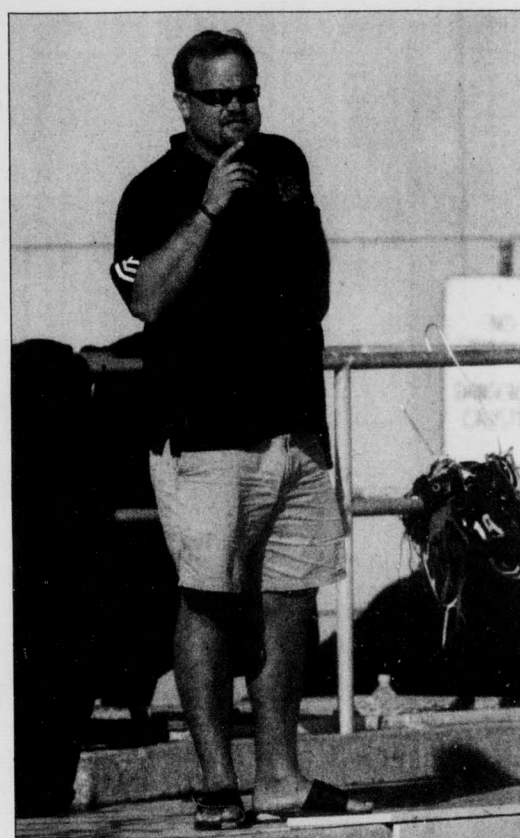
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"He has been a great influence on me in so many ways, especially in the sense of how to run two programs at the same time, and on top of that, making them successful," Abdu said.

Zeigler will certainly be missed, as will his intensity for the game and care for his teams and his athletes. Simple illustrations of Zeigler's respect for his position have been noted often by his players, but a story told by Abdu casts some light on how much Zeigler loves the game of water polo, and how much fun he has coaching it.

"We run a water polo summer camp here at Bucknell, which was a time I always learned a lot from Coach Zeigler," Abdu said. "There was one day at camp when Coach Zeigler was working with a small group of girls and they were having a tough time paying attention. After a lot of patience, Coach Zeigler jumped straight in the water, fully clothed and everything. It really showed how excited he was to teach the sport, and how important learning was to him."

Although Zeigler will no longer battle the Midshipmen of Navy or the Tigers of Princeton, he will have plenty to do as he pursues a career as a practicing attorney in the Harrisburg area. Though it is hard to see great coaches leave, the legacy they have left remains with their programs, driven on by the respect that they so rightfully earned.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
John Zeigler '91 coaches poolside in a recent game.

An Interview with John Zeigler

You had a strong and successful career at the University when you were a student in the late 80s. How did that motivate you to take the Head Coach position in '92?

Being a student-athlete at Bucknell was such a positive experience for me that I felt it was my chance to give back by returning and coaching at a time when the program needed stability and someone with a passion, not just for coaching, but also for the school.

What made you come back to coach again in 2000?

I was looking for a change in lifestyle at that time and felt with the expectation of a new state of the art pool there was tremendous potential for both the well-established men's program and the newly formed women's varsity program. The thought of starting a family in Lewisburg was also very attractive.

Is there a possibility for a three-peat down the road?

I will never say never, but I feel this recent move is probably a final "career" one. Not to say I wouldn't coach again in some capacity, because it is in my blood, but it would probably have to be in combination with my legal career.

The women's team has been under your guidance for practically its whole existence, and it has thrived recently. How does it feel to leave the program in such good shape after a relatively short time?

I leave with mixed feelings about the state of the women's program. It has been very personally satisfying to see the program develop to a very competitive level and achieve some of the things it has. On the other hand, the competition out there, and even specifically within our conference, are pumping resources into their programs in the form of scholarships that will make it difficult to stay on pace without resource enhancements within our program.

What has been your motivation as a coach, as your players say that you take an interest in their well-being both in and out of the pool?

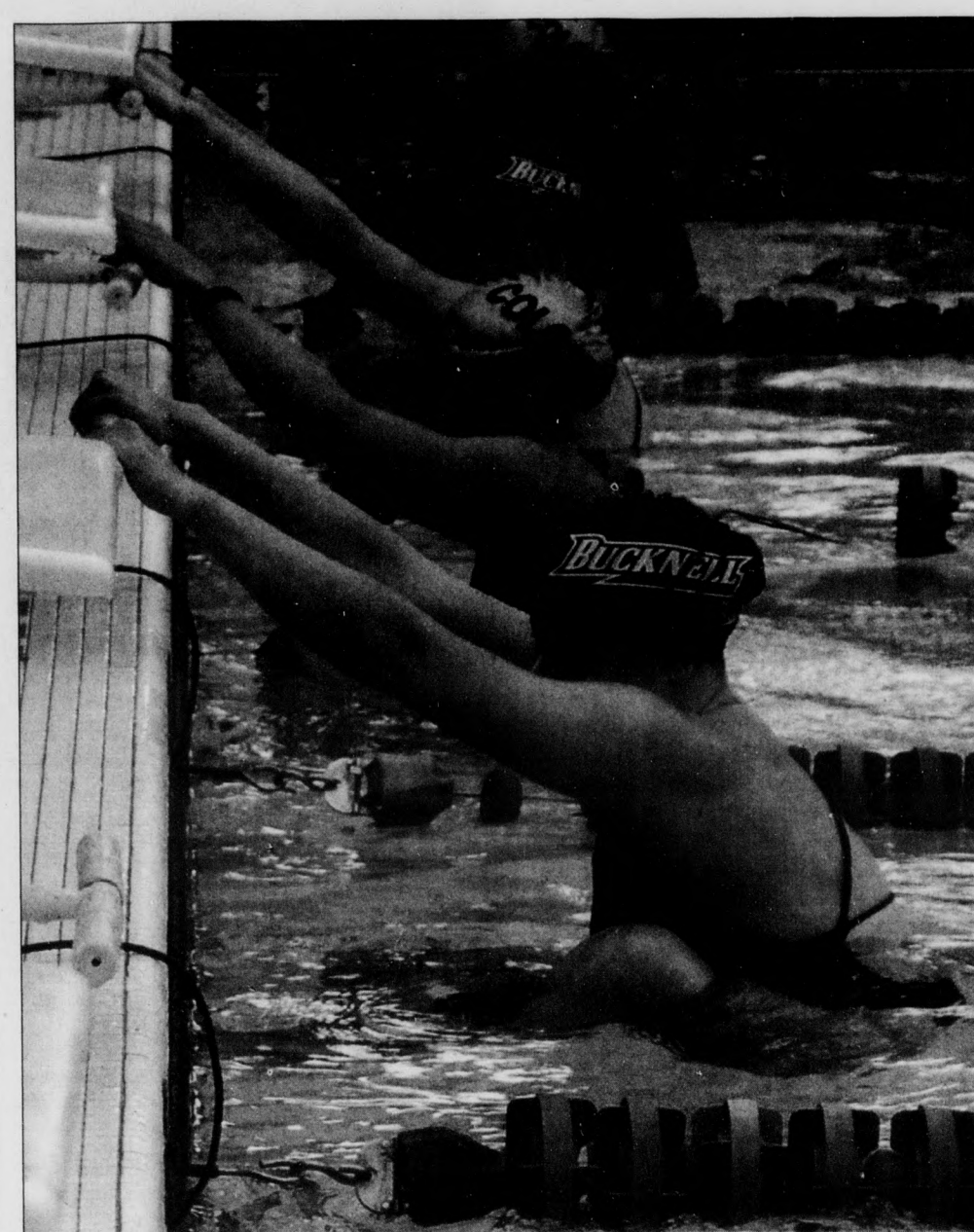
I think it strictly relates to my experience as a student athlete. My coaches, Dick Russell and Lynn Comer Kachmarik took that kind of interest in me and I never felt like I was just an athlete in their eyes. They wanted me to succeed in everything I did, and that was a very strong influence to me at the time. I guess I hoped that I could make the same impact on those I coached. The coaches at Bucknell I worked with certainly have that same attitude.

What moments stick out to you from your time at Bucknell?

Of course big wins are always something you remember. Beating Princeton men's team for the first time at home in overtime was memorable. Also, beating Indiana to take top four at Eastern's on the women's side was certainly a big program moment. While those really stand out, it's more those subtle times where I really felt I reached a student-athlete from something I said or did, and their responses that I will cherish.

What's next for you and your family?

Relocation to the Harrisburg area where many relatives live and where I am working for law firm that hired me. Although, I do look forward to frequent road-trips back to BU for athletic competitions!



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Courtney Warren '10 sits at the start in a recent meet. Both the men's and women's team beat Patriot League rival Army last weekend at West Point, N.Y.

Swimming and diving fall to Columbia; rebound against Army

By ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

On Senior Day for the University's Swim and Dive Teams, the Columbia Lions handed both teams tough losses as the women fell 163.5-79.5 and the men 141-100. Being honored for their four years of hard work at the University were seniors Lauren Burrie, Emmie Gallardo, Katalin Lyons, Elizabeth Molzon, Kristen Skroski, Bradford Bennett, Theo Leriots, Matthew McGraw, Joseph Metcalf V, John Peterman III, Tyler Sowell and Grant Steadman.

The meet saw some stellar performances, specifically from diver Jeff Manning '09. Manning a junior from Brighthouse, Ind., won both diving events: the one-meter with a score of 257.62 and the three-meter board, eclipsing his personal best with a score of 279.97 (positioning him second on Bucknell's all-time Top 10 List in this event).

Other impressive marks in the meet were seen from Daniel Fletcher '10 of Cedar Grove, N.J., who won the two hundred meter backstroke with an impressive time of 1:54.34. Luke Trafton '10 turned heads, winning the two hundred meter freestyle in 1:44.00. Fletcher placed fourth in the 50-meter freestyle while Trafton placed third in the 200-meter butterfly.

On the girls' side, the Bison women recorded four runner-up performances from Kristen Skroski in the two hundred free, sophomore Abby Atkinson in the two hundred meter backstroke, sophomore Becky Bersani in the one-meter board, and sophomore Allie FitzPatrick on the three-meter board.

Refusing to be stricken with the sting of

defeat, both teams bounced back nicely the very next day, traveling to West Point, N.Y. to take on the Black Knights of the United States Military Academy. The women's team won decisively registering a 167-133 victory over Army while the men's squad kept things closer securing a 155-145 victory in the last event of the program. The men's victory was its first win over Army since 1975.

Both teams now own winning records in the Patriot League, 3-1 for the men and 3-2 for the women.

Two Bison women registered double victories in the meet as Megan Mongan '10 triumphed in the 100 free with a time of 54.32 and in the 200 IM (Individual Medley) with a time of 2:12.20. Junior Kelly Morris out-touched her competitors in the 100 breast (1:07.98) and the 200 breast (2:27.15). These two women also paired with Courtney Warren '10 and Molly Goebel '11 to win the 200 medley relay in a time of 1:49.21.

The Bison men saw two great performances in the 200 medley relay and the 400 free relay which allowed the Bison to start and finish the meet very well. Between these two events the Bison saw victories from Luke Trafton (1000 Free, 200 Fly), Mark Kawczynski '09 (100 Back), John Peterman (50 Free, 100 Free), Dan Fletcher (200 Back) and Joe Metcalf (200 Breast).

The Bison will compete again Saturday, Jan. 26 when they take on Lehigh in their final dual meet of the season. Looking down the road, from Feb. 21-23 the Bison will be competing in the Patriot League Championships held this year in Annapolis, Md.

Mitchell report rundown

Documentation of heavy steroid use rocks the MLB

By TY CLARK
Senior Writer

On Dec. 13, 2007, Major League Baseball (MLB) got the gift it has been waiting for—and dreading—for 20 months: the 409-page document known as the Mitchell Report. Named for the former Senate majority leader that helmed the MLB-sanctioned investigation into baseball's steroid problem, the Mitchell Report is the most thorough documentation of the rampantly-rumored steroid use in America's favorite pastime.

"There was a collective failure to recognize the problem as it emerged and deal with it early on," Mitchell, when reporting to the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee, said. "Everyone involved in baseball over the past two decades—commissioners, club officials, the players' association and players—shares to some extent the responsibility for the steroids era."

For those of you who managed to stay under the rock that didn't receive 24-hour analysis of its bombshell in the aftermath of its release, this is huge. This is the point where baseball's quick, seemingly glorious rebirth after its messy 1994 labor strike becomes much grimmer.

Baseball enjoyed the record-breaking, homerun bashing of Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa in 1998, and then watched gleefully as Barry Bonds broke McGwire's record just a few years later.

Now, we know what really went on during those years; it is something that cannot be ignored. Mitchell's document, flawed as it may be, is what turned the rumors into facts and will put an asterisk next to the entire Steroid Era.

It seems only fitting that the greatest pitcher and greatest hitter of this era, Roger Clemens and Barry Bonds,

were named in the Report. And although Clemens has fought back with stunning fervor, his reputation will never be the same. Even his brief press conference further served to portray him as a self-serving steroid user.

People now wonder why he won as many games and struck out as many people in the second half of his career as in the first half. What exactly was he doing during his two months off from baseball each of the last few years? Why did he throw a bat-head at Mike Piazza in a World Series game and then claim he thought it was the baseball? Most people would say that it

Lo Duca did have a great year after he was traded to the New York Mets, then regressed in his next year and was not re-signed. Most Mets fans were outraged, until the Mitchell Report was released.

Mitchell's "evidence" could be dismissed as hearsay in most cases. In his article on the Mitchell report, ESPN columnist Jayson Stark quotes one "baseball man's" response to the news: "The main points in this report are good" Stark said, after reading it. "But he really could have written this, and drawn the same conclusions, without the names. And I wish he would have."

Indeed, much of the focus has been on the individual players named in the report. Mitchell himself focuses much more on the history of the problem and what baseball should do to correct it. Bud Selig, commissioner throughout most of the syringe-fueled debacle, has escaped most of the harsh criticism, and baseball is again slow to institute changes.

The players that were named—the 1.67 percent of all eligible players were sometimes named by one witness, a clubhouse attendant or otherwise, without any other proof. Of course, this would never hold up in a court of law, but for baseball, it is as good as fact.

From this, it is easy to understand Clemens fighting back. The stain of baseball's "collective failure" will never be forgotten for as long as baseball exists. This cloud of suspicion over every player, clean or guilty, makes the situation even worse.

Baseball has no way out of this. Even if they clean up the sport, this era still happened on their watch, and fans will remember Clemens as the most famous steroid user rather than the most famous pitcher from this era.

Some Christmas gift, indeed.

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Medlock '10 joined the group of IC4A qualifiers with a toss of 52-3 in the shot put. In the high jump, Drew Fitzgerald '11 broke into the record books, posting the eighth highest mark in Bison with a mark of 6-6.

On the women's side, the Bison posted impressive finishes on both the track and in the field events. In the 5,000 meter run, the Orange and Blue had four runners in the top with Jennifer Grant '08 leading the pack with a winning time of 18:51.05. Kim Hassett '09 posted a time of 19:08.88 to take second, while Erin Heidecker '10 and Gabrielle Skovira '10 took fourth and fifth, respectively.

"Our women's team has improved drastically since our opening meet back in December," Donner said. "They are working very hard as a group and they recognize that everyone has to be accountable in order for us to defend our Patriot League Championships." The 4x800 relay team dominated the field, beating out the second place team from

Duquesne by over 15 seconds. The team of Jennifer Pierce '10, Victoria Gilbert '08, Offiehea Hanson-Hall '08 and Erin Crammer-Hart '08 posted a time of 9:36.84 to win the event. Gilbert also took first in the 800-meter run, crossing the finish line in 2:16.64.

Amanda Mockbee '08 notched a record breaking performance in the shot put with a toss of 43-2, tying her for fourth-best in the Bison record books. Mockbee took second in the event. Rebecca Frey '11 had a breakout performance in the pole vault, winning the event and clearing a height of 11-3.

The Orange and Blue are in full swing with the winter season with the Patriot League championship just a month away. The women's team is looking to defend the title for the seventh-year running, while the men are hungry for a title.

"Our goal is simple, to win the Patriot League championship," Mooney said. "The Bison will be hosting the Bison Open and Multi today and Saturday at Gerhart Fieldhouse, beginning at 4 p.m. today."



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Macey Keath '11 cuts through the water. Keath won the 200-yard breaststroke against Colgate two weeks ago.

First-year profile: Macey Keath

By CONNIE BARRO
Senior Writer

Only three meets into 2008, Macey Keath '11 has already made headlines for the University women's swimming and diving team. She placed second in the 100- and 200-yard breast stroke when the Bison defeated Army's Black Knights on Saturday. Keath won the 200 breast with a time of two minutes and 27.81 seconds against Colgate a week earlier.

"I was hoping when I came here that I would be training more than I had previously, and I was hoping for the results that I have been having," Keath said. "My main goal is Patriot Leagues, and I am looking forward to dropping time there."

Keath is also a fierce competitor. She possesses a natural drive that allows her to sprint at the end of races even though she has already used so much of her energy. Keath's passion has helped motivate her teammates.

"She gets the team going when she races, because you can really see how determined she always is to win. I love watching her swim, especially those close races in which she touches out the swimmers in the lanes next to her," Emmie Gallardo '08 said.

For the remainder of the season, Keath hopes to build on the success and desire she has in order to reach team goals. "I just hope I can continue to keep dropping time and help the team in the Patriot Leagues by scoring in the top eight or 16," Keath said. "We were trying to score more points last year and pass some of the teams like Colgate that beat us in the regular season."

Keath's high school achievements testify to this passion. She received all-league, all-state and All-America honors. Keath was also a state medalist in 2005 and 2007 in the 100 breast and 200 IM.

Because she is an IMer, Keath must be trained in all four strokes—breast, freestyle, butterfly and backstroke. This event requires skill and additional training since it is not as specialized as other sprint events.

"She is a versatile swimmer," teammate Nikki Seaman '09

said. "Everything she does, she does well."

Keath was not accustomed to how much stroke-work and yardage there is in college swimming. Instead of having two workouts a day for two months, like in high school, the University continues morning training throughout the season. That change has not affected her work ethic, which has already paid off in meet results.

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with 2:12 left in the game, but went on a 14-0 run in the next 68 seconds to cut the lead to two. Castleberry scored eight of those points. O'Brien recorded his first career double-double with career-highs in points (14) and rebounds (13), as well as four blocks.

9. La Salle (W, 67-66, in Lewisburg) – Despite the Explorers hitting a Sojka Pavilion-record 14-three pointers, including seven by Darnell Harris, the Bison broke their four-game losing streak with a late 12-2 run to overcome La Salle. The Explorers led by as many as 16 points late in the first half. Harris thought La Salle trailed by one and fouled Griffin with eight seconds left in the game, with his team holding a one point advantage. The tri-captain hit both free throws to give the Bison a one-point win. Patrick Behan '10 and Castleberry each scored 18 points.

8. Wake Forest (L, 72-56, in Winston-Salem, N.C.) – The Orange and Blue battled the ACC's Demon Deacons tough, but were unable to overcome shooting just 36.8 percent from the field, including 19 missed three-pointers, and 41.7 percent from the foul line. Griffin scored a team-high 16 points, but the storyline of the day for the Bison was Linthicum. In a return to the starting line-up (along with Castleberry), the Orange and Blue's starting center recorded his first career double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds, including eight at the offensive end. Jason Vegotsky '09 played his first game of the season for the Bison after missing the first seven games with a foot injury.

7. Cornell (W, 88-75, in Lewisburg) – The Bison scored 47 points in the first half, and a Sojka Pavilion-record 88 for the game, in this offensive explosion. The team shot 54.7 percent from the field and made 11 out of 21 three-pointers in the contest. Griffin

scored a career-high 27 points, and was named Patriot League Player of the Week. Vegotsky made all three of his three-point attempts to score his first nine points of the season.

6. Drexel (L, 65-53, in Philadelphia, Pa.) – Following their best offensive game of the year, the Bison scored just 15 points in the first half against the Dragons and trailed by 19 at the half. Griffin scored 11 points, but missed eight of his 11 field goal attempts, and G.W. Boon '11 added 10 points off the bench.

5. Golden Bear Classic (L, 68-60 vs. North Dakota State; W, 61-57 vs. Long Beach State, in Berkeley, Calif.) – In their final two games of the 2007 calendar year, the Bison traveled out west for this tournament hosted by the California Golden Bears. Linthicum led the team with career-highs in points (18), rebounds (11) and blocks (5) against North Dakota State.

Griffin scored 15 points (also with four from behind the arc), and Linthicum set a new career-high with 12 rebounds to go along with nine points, earning him a spot on the all-tournament team, in the team's win against Long Beach State. Boon started his first career game in this one, in place of Behan, and scored 12 points. Boon was named Patriot League Rookie of the week.

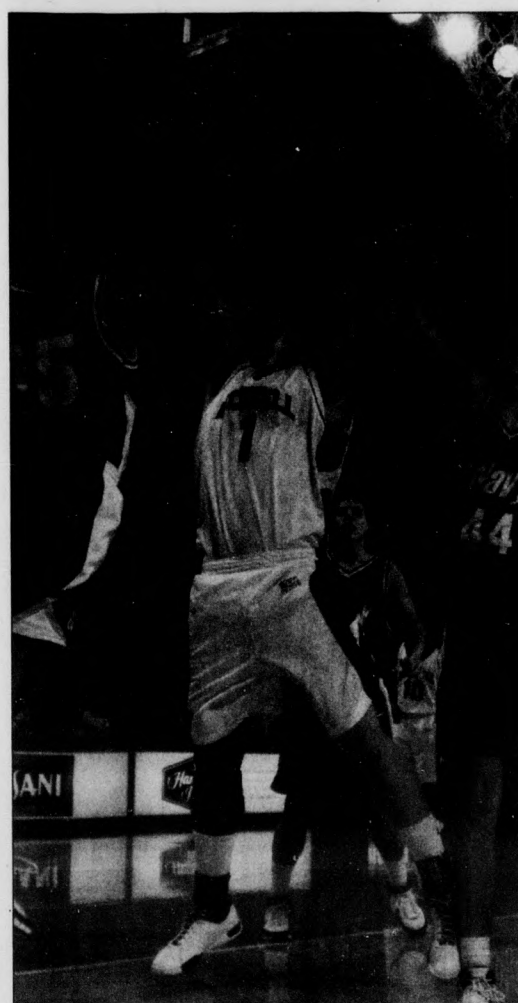
4. Ohio (L, 53-47, in Lewisburg) – The Orange and Blue opened the 2008 campaign with a tough home loss, but welcomed back tri-captain Darren Mastropalo '08 to the line-up. Mastropalo missed the first 12 games of the year after suffering a severe knee injury last summer, and was feared lost for the season. Through rigorous rehabbing efforts, he was able to make it back earlier than anyone could have hoped for. He checking into the game at the 15:23 mark of the first half to a standing ovation from his teammates on the bench and many in the crowd. He scored six points in 18 minutes. Castleberry scored a

team-high 11 points.

3. Saint Bonaventure (L, 65-62, in Olean, N.Y.) – The Bison fell to 5-9 on the season with a loss in its final game before the start of Patriot League play. Saint Bonaventure came from behind to take the lead with just 19 seconds left in the game to pull out the win. Castleberry scored a career-high 22 points, including six three-pointers.

2. Navy (W, 85-77, in Lewisburg) – In front of 4,126 fans at Sojka Pavilion, the Bison opened league play with a come-from-behind win over the Midshipmen. Mastropalo started at center in place of the injured Linthicum (knee), and Vegotsky got his first start of the season with Boon coming off the bench again. Tri-captain Rob Thomas '08 returned to the squad after injuring his knee in the first game of the season against Albany. Thomas made his first two shots, three-pointers, and finished with six points, four rebounds and three assists in 15 minutes. A balanced Bison scoring attack and foul trouble for Navy was the difference in this one. Castleberry (19), Vegotsky (14), Griffin (13) and Tyree (10) all scored in double-figures, as all ten Bison who played scored.

1. American (W, 66-62, in Lewisburg) – The Orange and Blue have now won 37 consecutive games against Patriot League opponents at home, with their last loss coming March 2, 2003 against Colgate. Castleberry scored a team-high 19 points and made six straight free throws in the last 24 seconds to secure the win. Vegotsky gave the Bison the lead for good with 1:03 left in the game, 60-58, on a jumper from just beyond the foul line. This was the second straight game that the Orange and Blue had to rally from a double-digit halftime deficit. Griffin scored 11 points, Mastropalo scored a season-high nine and Thomas and Boon combined to make four triples from off the bench.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Darren Mastropalo '08 has his shot contested under the basket. The Bison will host Colgate on Saturday at 7 p.m.

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to grow.

Both teams have battled injuries this year, with the Bison hurt hard early in the season, and the Crusaders bit more by the injury bug in the last few weeks. Two days before the match-up Holy Cross Head Coach Ralph Willard predicted that starting guard Pat Doherty could miss two to three weeks with an Achilles injury. Apparently nothing could keep Doherty out of the game, as he came off the bench to play 25 minutes and score eight points.

The Orange and Blue jumped out to an early lead thanks to its three-point shooting. The Bison made their first three-pointers of the game, two by Jason Vegotsky '09. Mastropalo cut his lip after being run into by Kyle Cruze, but it was just the first player to bleed on this night. The Bison led

the entire first half and took a 33-23 lead into halftime.

Things continued to be rough in the second-half. Andrew Keister suffered a laceration around his mouth, as he was hit by a Todd O'Brien '11 elbow attempting to box out the Bison big man. The officials looked at the replay to determine whether or not the foul was flagrant, and ruled it was not. Flannery and Willard exchanged some heated words during this exchange as well, but slapped hands before play resumed following a lengthy delay.

On the Bison's next possession O'Brien was called for a charge on a call that could have gone either way. Flannery protested the call and was hit with a technical foul. This enraged the coach further, and he received his second technical foul and an automatic ejection. Flannery had to be restrained by players and coaches before leaving the floor.

Doherty made three of four free throws, resulting from the technicals,

and the score was tied at 44 with less than 10 minutes to go.

The Orange and Blue seemed inspired by their coach's passion, and rallied to take the lead and the game. Thomas scored a crucial lay-up and drew the fifth foul on Holy Cross star center Tim "the Big Purple Dog" Clifford. Castleberry, as he had done against American the game before, hit clutch free throws down the stretch to secure the victory. In the closing minutes, Castleberry made seven out of eight free throws. He finished with a game- and career-high 22 points, making three from behind the arc and 13 of his 15 free throw attempts. Vegotsky finished with a season-high 14 points and four three-pointers. Tyree scored 10 points, Griffin scored nine and Patrick Behan '10 scored seven in 12 tough minutes off the bench.

The Orange and Blue host Colgate tomorrow at 7 p.m. at Sojka Pavilion, and Lehigh at the same time on Wednesday.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Bison Open and Multi, 4 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
WOMEN'S TENNIS - Bison Open, 5:30 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Penn State National Invitational, TBA, University Park, Pa.

Saturday

MEN'S BASKETBALL - Colgate, 7 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - Colgate, 2 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Bison Open and Multi, 10 a.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIM AND DIVE - Lehigh, 1 p.m., Bethlehem, Pa.
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Penn State National Invitational, TBA, University Park, Pa.
WOMEN'S TENNIS - Cornell Invitational, All Day, Ithaca, N.Y.
WRESTLING - Davidson, Liberty & The Citadel, TBA, Lynchburg, Pa.
VOLLEYBALL - UNC Greensboro, 4 p.m., Pittsburgh, Pa.; Duquesne, 7 p.m., Pittsburgh, Pa.
FOOTBALL - Duquesne, 6 p.m., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Sunday

WRESTLING - Old Dominion, 1 p.m., Norfolk, Va.
WOMEN'S TENNIS - Cornell Invitational, All Day, Bethlehem, Pa.



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Living Well at Bucknell

HPV Vaccine Causes Concern

By ALEXANDRA COSTA
Contributing Writer

Chances are if you've visited your doctor in the last year and you are a woman between the ages of nine and 26, you are one of thousands who was strongly encouraged by your medical professional to be vaccinated against the deadly, cancer-causing genital Human Papilloma Virus (HPV).

Nationwide the HPV vaccine is being touted as a "miracle" prevention for young women. Some states are even subsidizing the cost of the HPV vaccine and others are embroiled in public debate about mandating the vaccine for all young women in high schools.

But have we jumped on the HPV vaccine bandwagon too quickly? Do we know enough about this "miracle" prevention and its possible long-term effects? The HPV vaccine is not without some risk.

Just ask Anna Kinzy, a freshman at American University in Washington, D.C. She received the first dose of the HPV virus, stopped breathing and was rushed to the hospital. She is fine now but has no plans to have shots two and three of the vaccine. "I was incredibly scared," Anna said. "I was only doing what my doctor recommended."

Anna's case appears to be rare in her reaction to the HPV vaccine. Overall, researchers claim the benefits of the vaccine far outweigh the risks. The HPV vaccine is a series of three shots given over a course of six months. It is recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (cdc.gov). The vaccine protects against four HPV types which include 16, 18, 6 and 11. Types 16 and 18 cause 70% of cervical cancer and types 6 and 11 cause 90% of genital wart cases.

The vaccine does not cure HPV or cervical cancer, but studies show the vaccine is nearly 100% effective in preventing disease when studied in women who had not been exposed to the virus. Studies have also shown that the vaccination will protect against HPV five years after the vaccine is given. More research is being conducted to determine if additional booster shots will be needed to add further protection.

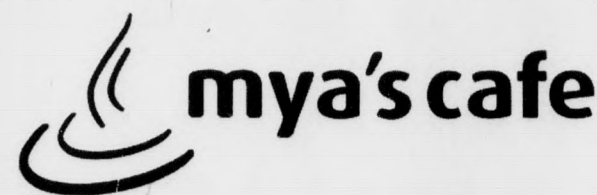
While recommended by the health community, the vaccination has caused several concerns among teens and adults. According to New York Times' columnist Jane Brody, one common concern among parents is that the idea of vaccinating young girls will encourage sexual behavior when abstinence before marriage and monogamy should be encouraged.

Health officials argue that abstinence is not always effective and may not be a personal choice, like in the instance of rape. Another concern is how long the vaccination prevents teenagers from HPV. Also, medical professionals do not have long term research on whether the vaccination may cause autoimmune or neurological disorders.

The financial cost of the vaccination is another consideration under fire. Each dose of the vaccine costs \$120. The total cost of the immunization is \$360 for three doses compared to an annual flu shot which, according to the American Lung Association, costs \$20. Proponents remind us that the vaccine is money well spent as HPV infection is very costly. As noted in the March issue of *The American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, "The annual burden of cervical HPV-related disease ranges from \$2.25 billion to \$4.6 billion in the United States. The annual burden of cervical cancer ranges from \$181.5 million to \$363 million."

The vaccination is reported as the most painful of childhood vaccinations. According to CNN Health, U.S. health officials have noticed a rise in reports of vaccine-associated fainting in girls. There were about 50 reports of fainting from 2002 to 2004 and about 230 from 2005 until last July. About 180 of those cases followed a shot of Gardasil that was released on the market in 2006. Dr. Barbara Slade, an immunization safety specialist at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention explains, "It's not clear that Gardasil's sting is related to the fainting increase." GlaxoSmithKline's Cervarix, a second HPV vaccine, is under FDA review and could become available in 2008. Complaints of injection pain have not surfaced in clinical trials, said Liad Diamond, a company spokeswoman.

The University Student Health Service currently offers the HPV vaccine at \$125.00 per dose and recommends checking with your physician and insurance carrier prior to receiving the immunization.



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Getting creative on campus

Ways for students to stay entertained through the long, cold winter

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

This winter season, as the snow piles up and the cold wind nips at your cheeks, try some of these fun, indoor activities to relieve the winter doldrums.

"Decorate Cookies"

The decoration of cookies may seem like child's play, but it is amazing what sorts of designs you can imagine with a higher and broader level of education.

Try decorating cookies in the form of favorite historical figures, television characters or seasonal items. Artistic talent is not a requirement. This is a great activity for any holiday or whenever boredom strikes.

As an added bonus, the final products can be distributed to neighbors for some brownie points or simply consumed by their makers. Emily Fry '11 partakes in this wholesome and delicious pastime.

"I love festive days," Fry said. "Decorating cookies is a great way to spread holiday cheer. I really like making snowflakes for the winter weather."

"Board Games and Puzzles"

The perfect hall bonding activity, board games and puzzles provide hours of fun, free from the constant drudgery of technology. So take a break from sitting in front of the computer or television and stop text messaging people who are within walking distance and learn to spend some quality time with fellow classmates.

Some hall favorites include Taboo, Risk, Uno, Trivial Pursuit and Apples to Apples. If you are short on time but will still remain bored for at least 20 minutes, many game manufacturers now offer express versions of favorite games like Monopoly.

"Create Music"

Most people listen to music on a daily basis, whether it is on the way to class, while writing a paper, or even working out at the gym. Instead of passively listening, try to make up your own lyrics to your favorite songs.

Who knows? Perhaps they will come in handy one day when you need to serenade the love of your dreams. If that does not sound like enough fun for you, try watching some selections from the new wave of musical movies. Learn the songs, learn the moves and perform them with your friends. Just beware of quiet hours.

"Make a Video"

With today's easy accessibility to most forms of technology, making short movies is fun and simple. Just grab a video camera and some friends, and see what comes out of the mix.

Create a storyline, improvise, or ad lib. Usually the everyday antics of your quirky friends are enough to provide hours of entertainment. Amateur but adequate editing programs come with most computers these days. The library also offers equipment that can make this process quite seamless. Billy Matthews '11 uses iMovie to edit his work. "It gets the job done," Matthews said.

Once you are done, upload the video to YouTube and see what kind of crazy comments you get. Better yet, film your friends singing the new lyrics to popular songs.

Matthews created a short video during finals week. "It was a lot of fun," he said.

"Video Games"

For those who are wary of taking initiative in the technologically creative process, never fear. Try out the new interactive video games hitting the markets. Some favorites include Guitar Hero, Rock Band, DDR, and SingStar. Not only do these games promote musical learning, but also provide useful tools to improve coordination and dexterity.

"Send Mail"

There is nothing more lamentable than going down to the mailbox and finding that your mailbox is once again empty for the ninth consecutive day. Brighten someone's day by sending a cheerful message through campus mail to a random box number. Just keep it nice and clean because when it is unkind, it is just spam.

If that seems strange, try sending a handwritten letter to some of your friends at other universities. There is nothing better than a heartfelt note inside a personally decorated envelope.

"Start a Finer Things Club"

This brilliant idea comes from NBC's "The Office." On this show, a few of the characters gather once a month to discuss a work of fine art or literature. There is delicious food, pleasant and intellectual conversation and just a hint of sophistication.

Try starting one yourself. Pictures can even be uploaded and shared with fellow

Finer Things Clubs across the nation on NBC's Web site.

"Go on Wikipedia"

Although many scholars today may frown upon the use of Wikipedia, the so-called free and editable encyclopedia, it too can be a cure for boredom.

Each day there is a featured article and if that entry is not interesting enough, users can also click on the random article link to access a treasure trove of trivial information.

"I go on Wikipedia a lot," Lauren DeJoseph '11 said. "I do the six clicks to Jesus thing. I usually start at the United States and then keep clicking the links on the bottom until I get to the Jesus page."

"Free Rice"

Free Rice, which can be found at freerice.com, is a game that not only improves English vocabulary, but also seeks to end world hunger by donating grains of rice.

"I love Free Rice!" Brenna English-Loeb '11 said. "I want to get to level 50." To play, a person matches the given word with a definition or synonym. For each word that is correctly matched, companies who advertise on the Web site will donate 20 grains of rice.

The rice is later distributed by the United Nations World Food Program. Free Rice also provides helpful information about taking a stand against world hunger and other ways in which people can help.

To make the game even better, new words are being added this month. What a way to kick world hunger and poor vocabulary.



So whether you like to create things, chat or surf the Web, there are quite a number of ways to conquer boredom during the freezing winter months. Whether you need to waste a few minutes or a few hours, there are plenty of things you can do to have fun, stay warm and keep out of too much trouble.

The Bucknellian Crossword

ACROSS

1. Nibbled on
7. Magic resource
11. Bowling target
14. Concert finale
15. Stuff in a muffin
16. Keats creation
17. Consequence of having too much
19. Arles article
20. Band performance
21. Hit the slopes
22. German sub
24. Reasons for studying

26. Who we kid-ding?

27. Navigate
30. Type of operation
35. Shoot the breeze
36. Mr. Judd
37. Beta Kappa
38. Thorny beauties
40. Tiebreakers, briefly

41. Bricklayer
43. Put to work
44. New Zealander
46. Bully
47. It often causes a big splash
50. Fortune-teller's fortes
51. Capp and Capone
52. Warmer and sunnier
54. Excuse
57. Prefix with profit
58. Lawyer's org.
61. Lion's lair
62. First impression
67. Family man
68. URL starter
69. Part of a crew
67. Like a wallflower
68. Label
69. Believes in

DOWN

1. "Guarding" (MacLaine movie)
2. Start the pot
3. Highlander
4. Male cat
5. Pencil top
6. Flattens
7. Wharton deg.
8. Circle segment
9. "I don't think so"
10. Blood vessel bulge
11. Game on horseback
12. Suggestion
13. Branch headquarters
14. Low platelet count, scientific abbr.

19. Wager
20. French noodle?
21. Cup
22. Athos, to Porthos
23. Second-stringer
24. Not these
25. Supporter of the arts?
30. Miss after marriage
32. Angry
33. Washing dishes, for one
34. "You Really Got Me" group (with "The")
39. Ceiling installation
40. Rich University mascot
42. Not quite closed
43. Stipulations
46. Chemist's workplace
47. Durable wood
48. Swordsman
50. Seashore
51. Put two and two together
52. Wife of Jacob
53. Race place
58. Intentions
57. Dinghy or Yacht
58. Landers and others
61. Western tribe
62. Phonebook page range
63. Dashboard abbr.
64. Letter after sigma

2008 brings new resolutions, new crowds to KLARC

By ALI BURACK
Writer

As 2007 came to an end, many Americans looked to make substantial changes in their lives. These individuals formed New Year's resolutions attempting to begin the year with a clean slate, leaving old habits behind.

Although many Americans attempt to abide by their resolutions, a survey "found that 35 percent of respondents break their New Year's resolutions by the end of January and only 23 percent of those surveyed don't ever break them. Nearly 40 percent of those surveyed attribute breaking their resolutions to having too many other things to do, while 33 percent say they are not committed to the resolutions they set," according to Rismedia.com.

Many choose to begin a workout regimen. This resolution is a favorite among college students and well-represented within the University community. Whether it is the ambitious first-year attempting to lose the "freshman 15" or the senior who has eaten too much over the holidays, many students are popping up at the gym.

Since the start of the spring semester there seems to be an increased number of people using the KLARC Athletic Center.

"Never again will I go at 4 o'clock. It was packed. I couldn't get a machine; it was miserable. I just ended up

running outside in the cold," Lindsay Philbrick '08 said.

Yes, four o'clock is the magic number to avoid when the gym craze is at its peak. This is when most students are done with classes and choose to keep up their exercising habits.

"[My] coaches have told the team members that they must find a time on their own to get in their training hours and that they designate practice times according to the gym traffic because our regular practice time (4:30) does not allow us to perform our workouts," Mariel Fink '08, a member of the Bison cross-country team, said. "As an athlete I am forced to stay away, it's absurd."

Even individuals attempting to beat the afternoon rush by choosing to work out in the morning are bombarded by many ambitious gym-goers, Fink said.

Cordy Elkins '08 is dedicated to her New Year's resolution. "This year my goal isn't to lose weight, it's about consistency. I want to go at least five days a week, even if I only have time for a 20-minute session," she said. "Every day I get myself to the gym I feel so good about myself. I think it is because all my endorphins kick in, which makes me happy."

As the semester continues, be aware of the crowds and maybe take a walk or run outside instead of heading to the gym. After all, the only activity there you can count on is people-watching.



Professor Shara McCallum addresses attendees of the annual Martin Luther King Beloved dinner. McCallum, the evening's keynote speaker, discussed the connection between poetry and the civil rights movement.

Remembering Martin Luther King

Annual Beloved dinner celebrates the legacy of a "modern-day prophet"

By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

The annual Martin Luther King Jr. Beloved dinner hosted a sold-out crowd in the Terrace Room Monday. Forty years after his death, members of the campus community gathered around rose-petal-covered tables to commemorate Dr. King's life and his continued legacy.

Jessica Hess, director of multicultural student services, welcomed the attendees and discussed the theme echoed by speakers throughout the evening—she encouraged all present to keep Dr. King's message of unity alive today, as his dream has not yet been fully realized.

After President Mitchell gave opening remarks, stressing

the importance of education in strengthening race relations, Rabbi Serena Fujita and Reverend Ian Oliver led an interfaith service. Both highlighted Dr. King's Christian background, acknowledging that he constantly looked to God for

equality among men. According to Fujita, "The person who passively accepts evil is as much a part of the evil as the person perpetrating it."

Before the meal provided by Dining Services, a performance by the Rooke Chapel Choir was

assistant professor of English and the director of the Stadler Center for Poetry. McCallum discussed the poetic qualities of Dr. King's speeches, most notably his famous "I Have a Dream."

She then read poetry from racially aware writers such as Langston Hughes, Jamaican-born Claude McKay and Lucille Clifton. To McCallum, poetry is as important as any other factor in inciting change. To conclude the evening, she emphasized that "Poetry... makes change imaginable, and therefore possible."

Forty years after Dr. Martin Luther King's death, race relations may still be far from ideal, but as shown by Monday's dinner, there are still many willing to follow King's message of celebrating the caliber of one's character above all else.

"The person who passively accepts evil is as much as the person perpetrating it."
—Serena Fujita, University Rabbi

led by Professor William Payn, and Reverend Tim Johnson provided a blessing and prayer.

The keynote speaker on black poetry and the civil rights legacy was Shara McCallum,

Roe v. Wade still provokes debate

By SUSAN MISUR
Senior Writer

Tuesday marked the 35th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to legalize abortion in the case of Roe v. Wade.

National women's groups held various events to commemorate the landmark decision, while the University's Catholic Campus Ministry group traveled to Washington, D.C. to participate in a prayer vigil and the March for Life.

The National Organization for Women, a feminist advocacy group, organized events in Washington, D.C. that took place throughout the day. They conducted an "action" or protest at the Supreme Court that received coverage on C-SPAN and an early evening vigil, according to a NOW representative reached by phone.

Despite abortion remaining legal, NOW President Kim Gandy wrote on the group's Web site about maintaining efforts to preserve the decision of Roe v. Wade.

"Though we are celebrating 35 years of Constitutional protection of a woman's right to abortion, we cannot let our guard down," Gandy said on the Web site.

Members of the University community and Catholic Campus Ministry attended various events to protest abortion in Washington, D.C. Monday and Tuesday.

Six students and Father Lettner went to the National Prayer Vigil for Life Monday night, and the Rally for Life, Youth Mass and the 35th Annual March for Life Tuesday.

Justin Greenly '08, who coordinated the University trip, said Tuesday's anniversary was an opportunity to evaluate the treatment of those considering abortion.

"Beginning today we all have to redouble our efforts to support the families and single parents faced with seemingly impossible struggles," he said.



Courtesy of Justin Greenly

Members of the Catholic Campus ministry in Washington with the Bishop of Harrisburg. From left to right: Michael Raksawski '08, Justin Greenly '08, Misa Kohsai '09, Emily Norton '11, Alex Muchow '11, Father Michael Lettner, University Campus Chaplain, and Most Reverend Kevin C. Rhoades, Bishop of Harrisburg.

gles," he said. "A reversal would contain the challenge to see the dignity of every human being."

The NOW group's Web site and Greenly cited the upcoming election as imperative to both sides of the abortion issue.

"The 2008 Presidential election is important because the next president might have the opportunity to appoint a Supreme Court Justice who will make a reversal or restriction feasible," Greenly said.

The University's Women's Resource Center (WRC) director, Michaela Denny, said that if the court case were presented today, she thinks a different decision would have been reached due to the current political climate.

Though the WRC did not sponsor an event commemorating the anniversary of the court

ruling, Denny reflected on an opportunity two years ago to have dinner with an attorney involved in the case.

"I had dinner with Sarah Weddington, one of the attorneys that represented Norma McCorvey, 'Jane Roe.' It was interesting to hear about the case from her perspective and to learn about how her life was impacted, both positively and negatively, by the case," Denny said.

No matter what side of the issue people support, they all seem to realize one thing: The issue will remain on the forefront regardless of what ruling is or isn't made.

"It's likely that challenges to the ruling will continue (as they have been for 35 years) and that we will see changes to the laws regarding abortion in the next few years," Denny said.

Warm up with Zimbabwean chicken

By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

In this weather, where just walking to class leaves me chilled to the bones, I want nothing more than a rich stick-to-your-ribs meal. Luckily, my housemate Rudo Mawema '09 showed me this delicious Zimbabwean recipe for Peanut Butter Chicken.

"When I went home [to Zimbabwe] for the summer, this was the very first thing my mother made for me. It's my favorite food in the world; I love it," she said. Although in Zimbabwe it is traditionally served as a special occasion dish, this chicken is simple and quick, so even on the most ordinary of days you can create something really delicious.

Peanut Butter Chicken
(Zimbabwe) serves 4-6
Recipe adapted from www.elca.org/countrypackets/zimbabwe/recipe.html

2 medium chopped onions
2 green peppers, chopped
2 tablespoons butter
1 chicken, cut into pieces
2 cloves pressed garlic
3 to 4 fresh tomatoes (or 1 large can of tomatoes)

1 teaspoon salt & 1/2 teaspoon pepper
6 tablespoons smooth peanut butter
1 chili pepper or 1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper
1 chicken bouillon stock cube
1/2 pound spinach, Swiss chard or collard greens
In a large stew pot over medium heat,

sauté onions in butter until golden brown. Add garlic, salt and hot peppers. Stir for 2 minutes and add green peppers and chicken.

Continue stirring until all the chicken pieces are brown on every side, mash tomatoes with a fork and mix them into the stew. Reduce heat and simmer for 5 to 10 minutes.

Bring two cups of water to a boil and add bouillon. Thin the peanut butter with a few spoons of hot broth and add half the resulting paste to the pot of chicken. Add the broth to the stew; simmer until the meat is well-cooked.

In a separate pot, boil spinach for several minutes until tender. Drain and toss with the remainder of the peanut paste. Serve stew and greens side by side.
Bon Appetit!

Top 10 New Year's Resolutions:

1. Get out of debt or save money
2. Lose weight
3. Develop a healthy habit
4. Get organized
5. Develop a new skill or talent
6. Spend more time with family and friends
7. Other
8. Work Less, play more
9. Break an Unhealthy Habit
10. Change employment

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THE BRIGADE CHRONICLES

Students share the experiences of their excursion helping the community of Nueva Vida, Nicaragua

BY ELIZABETH CAVALLARI AND GRACE HAN
Contributing Writers

Over winter break, 25 students and staff from the University traveled to Nicaragua to give aid to its poverty-stricken people. They gave their time, money they raised, and medical supplies to the community of Nueva Vida.

Instead of trying to sum up this amazing experience, we thought we would share with the campus what we shared with our family and friends. This trip changed our outlook on life as a group. We came back to campus ready to do as much as we can to drive others to take something positive from our experience.

Monday, Jan. 7, 2008

"Today was the first day of work, and the group split up into three different jobs: clinic, cement, and rebar."

I had the opportunity to work in the medical clinic today helping translate for Dr. Stechschulte. While it was an incredible experience being able to communicate one-on-one with the various Nicaraguans, it also made me realize how much we take for granted—simple things like rubber gloves and the availability of certain medications in the United States."

—Gillian Nordquist '09

"Back at JYC [Jubilee House Community], the focus was on rebar and cement blocks. The blocks were made from scratch. We spent time filtering rocks and sand/gravelish stuff into a screen, then combining the newly purified sand with cement mix and water. This mixture is put into the molding machine, which is pushed down to make cement blocks. John Trimmer [U] and Evan Burns [O's] and some others were taught to run the machine, which they said was pretty difficult. It was very strenuous work but also very fun getting to know everyone, including the native Nicaraguans, and laughing when we made mistakes, which was often. While there was a language barrier, it wasn't as much of a burden as it was entertaining."

The second group was responsible for putting together pillars for the building by tying together bars in a cube shape with rebar (which all day I called rhubarb). These are actually metal reinforcing rods to strengthen concrete. The task of creating the rebar cage was a totally different thing. Strips of the steel wiring were hammered out until they were perfectly straight. We found very difficult, while the Nicaraguans did it with ease."

—Emily Rich '09



Students work on constructing the "rebar" or reinforcement bar, which helps reinforce concrete in a building's foundation. Courtesy of Connie Low

Tuesday, Jan. 8, 2008

"This morning we headed down to the Managua city dump. We arrived at the dump and it was at least a mile of trash piled six stories high. Two hundred families make their living digging through the trash and rummaging through useless garbage only to find a few pieces of plastic or aluminum or any other valuable items that they can sell."

A few little boys walked up to our group and I noticed that none of them wore shoes. Just completely barefoot. The woman who was showing us around told us about the many disasters of children being run over by the garbage trucks due to a lack of supervision."

In the air, vultures swarm the dump. Malnourished dogs and cats also eat the garbage... When supermarkets drop off their trash, people eat the rotting food to survive. To see people make a living from digging through trash that we mindlessly and thoughtlessly throw away each day was completely shocking."

—Grace Han '11

Locals search for treasure at the city dump. Courtesy of Connie Low

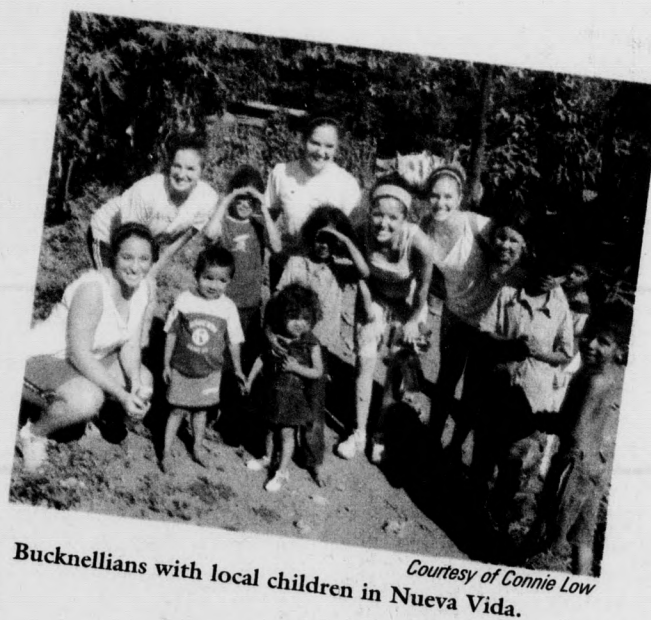
Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2008

"Not only did we do manual labor during the trip, but we also heard speakers discuss the economic conditions in Nicaragua. One of these was Carlos Pacheco, an economist in Tigray."

Focusing specifically on CAFTA [Central America Free Trade Agreement], he discussed the economic framework for Central America and the importance that is placed on international agreements. It is placed directly below the Constitution, followed by the public law and then common law. For this reason, the agreement greatly impacts the Central American people. Overall, it was very eye-opening to acknowledge the power that the United States has."

The entire group all went over to the clinic in Nueva Vida in the afternoon. Some of us worked with the medical prescriptions, while the majority of us helped level a cement wall in the clinic to help with insulation. It was quite messy and hard to get the cement to actually stick on the wall, but a lot of fun!"

—Alexa Beerman '08

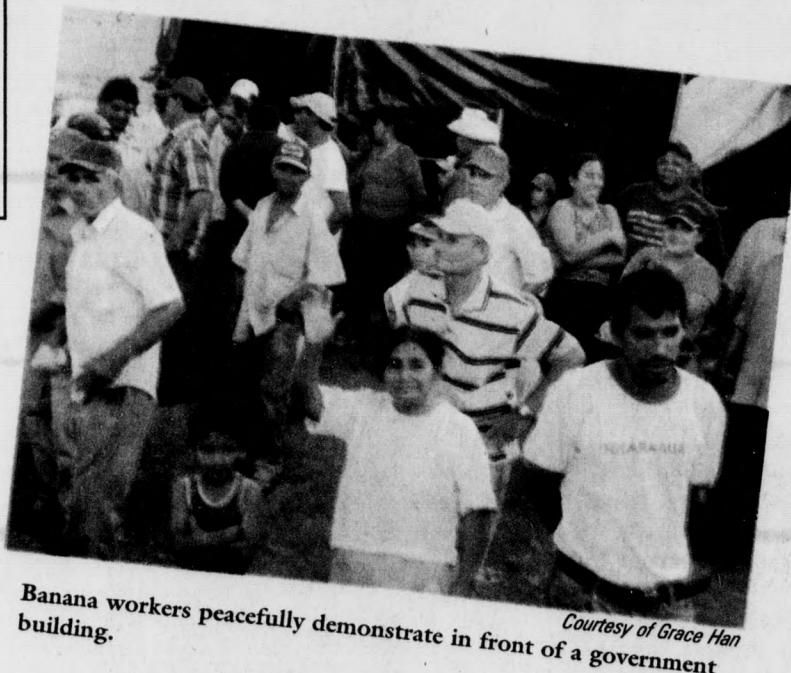


Bucknellians with local children in Nueva Vida. Courtesy of Connie Low

Sunday, Jan. 13, 2008

"As we look back on this day, the highlight for the group was by far the banana workers. This group is camping out in front of a government building, the equivalent of our Congress, to have the government support their cause. These people live in tents made of a thick black plastic with black and red striped flags displayed proudly. The moment that we arrived to their camp, they welcomed us and ushered us in with open arms. All 25 of us plus a few banana workers huddled inside a tent to listen to one of the community leaders tell us their story. We left there with a sense of responsibility. Walking from the tent to the bus, banana workers stood in lines to shake our hands, hug and even kiss us. We were blown away by their openness and trust in us."

—Elizabeth Cavallari '08 and Grace Han '11



Banana workers peacefully demonstrate in front of a government building. Courtesy of Grace Han

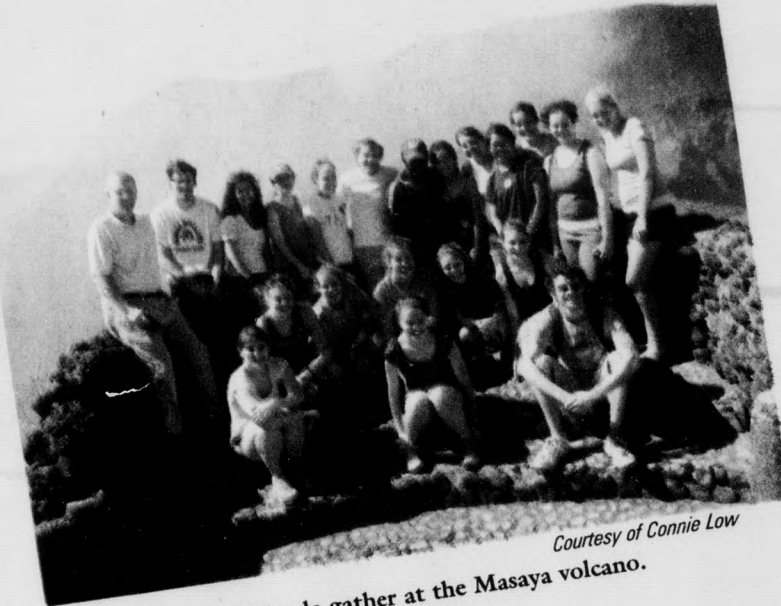
Back at the University, the January 2008 Brigadistas are doing what we can, but we need your help! Help us by donating time, funds, and medicines to the health clinic in Nueva Vida, Nicaragua:

- Children's cough and cold remedies
- Vitamins: Adult, Child and Prenatal
- Condoms
- Any type of over the counter medications, hygiene products and prescription medication

Saturday, Jan. 12, 2008

"We visited Pedro Guerrero, an internationally-famed local potter in Masaya. We watched a demonstration of how he makes his pottery on the wheel and also how he uses his own techniques to make his pieces unique. In the afternoon we visited a craft market full of items made by local artisans."

—Elizabeth Cavallari '08 and Kylie Brandt '10



Members of the Brigade gather at the Masaya volcano. Courtesy of Connie Low

Thursday, Jan. 10, 2008

"Hi all. We're pooped and filthy, but happy and healthy. We had a wonderful day, first driving three hours up to El Paraiso (the future), a community up on a mountainside that runs a coffee co-op. In fact, it's the co-op whose coffee the Brigade sells to raise funds in the United States. Most of us got a tour of the co-operation beans on the plants to sort beans in bags ready for export. El Paraiso is an interesting contrast to Nueva Vida (where the clinic is), since it's a more traditional rural community in which people subsist to a high extent on the foods they grow and other materials they find in their natural environment. Adios a mañana."

—Cordlynn Davis, Co-Leader, professor of women's and gender studies and anthropology

Friday, Jan. 11, 2008

"Just like most of the days while we have been here in Nicaragua, today was challenging, interesting and very rewarding. Early in the morning, we went to the sewing co-op, mainly operated by women, we walked around the area and later had a talk detailing how and why the co-op was formed."

—Mayra Mayra '11

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Call Your Mom

Hypnotist Keith Karkut had students convinced that they were riding rollercoasters and making phone calls on a shoe.

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Board decides to arm Public Safety

BY MICHELLE LAXER
News Editor

The decision was made to arm University Public Safety officers, effective August, was reached during last Friday's meeting of the Board of Trustees.

It is now the job of President Brian C. Mitchell to ensure the next steps in the arming process are taken care of thoroughly. Chief Communications Officer Pete Mackey said. The University's ad hoc task force on Public Safety arming must determine the particular circumstances involved with arming the officers. The University will hire a consultant to offer advice and

help in the decision making process.

Chief of Public Safety Jason Friedberg said the firm has prior experience consulting other high education law enforcement agencies.

According to task force chairman and Chief of Staff David Myers, decisions must be made as to what sort of firearms the officers will carry, who will be armed, under what circumstances the officers will be armed, what the budget will allow and what additional training will be required of the officers.

"The Board wanted to go beyond the basic training standards that are required under state law," Myers said. The University is considering ongoing background checks and psychologi-

cal tests for the officers.

Protocols for the use of different types of weapons must be established, and Public Safety must have agreements with the local municipality for mutual support.

These decisions will be developed up until the final presentation to Board of Trustees in April. Implementation will begin over the summer for the officers to be armed to the agreed extent in the fall.

The task force is planning and scheduling public and student forums in conjunction with Bucknell Student Government (BSG).

"[The Board] wanted the engagement of the campus community in help-

ing discuss those decisions," Myers said.

According to Mackey, there were many factors contributing to the Board's decision. In Nov. 2006 Pennsylvania state legislature mandated that the Pennsylvania System of Higher Education require all public campuses within the state to have armed campus security officers. In addition the Virginia Tech Review Panel appointed by the Governor of Virginia reported that campuses need to ensure that either, on their own or with local law enforcement support, campus police would be able to respond immediately to any type of emergency. In an e-mail Monday to students, faculty and

staff from Mitchell, it was stated the University and the College of the Holy Cross were the only two schools in the Patriot League with unarmed officers.

Myers said the Board considered alternatives to arming the Public Safety officers, which were limited. These alternatives would leave officers relying heavily on local law enforcement agencies.

In the case of an emergency, armed

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Election 2008: McCain and Obama party frontrunners

BY ANDREW LARSON
Senior Editor

In Tuesday's Florida primary, Republicans may have chosen a candidate for president.

For Democrats, there's a long road ahead.

Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz) won a decisive victory in Florida's Republican primary, garnering 36 percent of the vote, to former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney's 31 percent.

McCain and Romney sparred viciously in the week preceding the primary, with McCain accusing Romney of "wholesale deception" and Romney calling McCain "dishonest" and favoring a "liberal Democrat course."

The win helps dispel questions about whether the maverick McCain is conservative enough to gain the full support of his party.

"McCain has emerged as the clear Republican frontrunner," said Scott Menke, assistant professor of political science.

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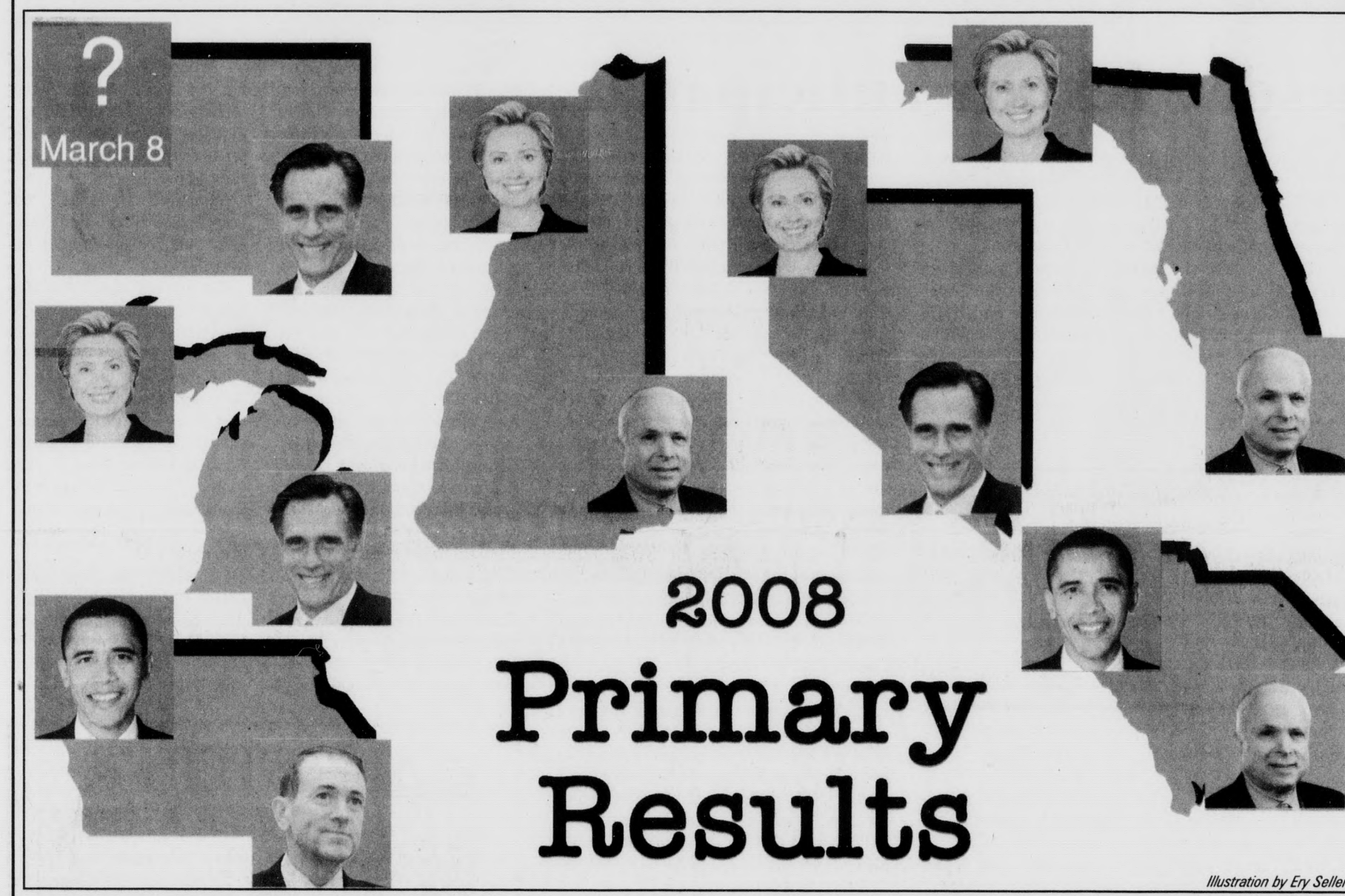


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Seventh sorority under consideration

At least four current chapters must vote to approve the extension process

BY EMILIA RYGELIS
Writer

One shouldn't listen to rumors about a charter being obtained for a new sorority on campus, said Lewis Marrara, assistant dean of students and director of fraternity and sorority affairs. However, "We're looking into it," he said.

The University currently holds six sororities and 13 fraternities on campus. Consequently, the sororities tend to have more members than the fraternities.

"Kappa Kappa Gamma is our largest sorority with 138 members," Marrara said. "Our smallest has 103 members."

According to Marrara, several sororities have asked him to look into the possibility of adding a new organization because the chapters on campus have been growing larger as more women seek membership.

"I don't see any negatives," Marrara said. "In fact there are only positive reasons for a new sorority. There would be

more leadership opportunities for women and new positions to be filled. It would be a great way to get more women involved on campus."

The University's Panhellenic Council is currently looking into the extension process—the steps necessary to bring a new sorority to campus. At least four of the six sororities must vote to approve the extension. The decision will be made in the next three weeks.

"The earliest that we could bring a new sorority on campus would be in the fall of 2009," Marrara said.

The extension process begins at the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), the governing body for 26 women's fraternities and sororities. All six sorority chapters on campus are members of the NPC. The University will extend an invitation for colonization to the 20 remaining NPC chapters. Interested chapters will contact the University and present themselves on campus.

Final decisions will be made by an

Extension Committee, which would be comprised of the current Panhellenic Executive Council.

"From those who show interest, we would consider different factors and eventually extend a bid to the chapter we would like to have on Bucknell's campus," Panhellenic President Mary O'Sullivan '09 said.

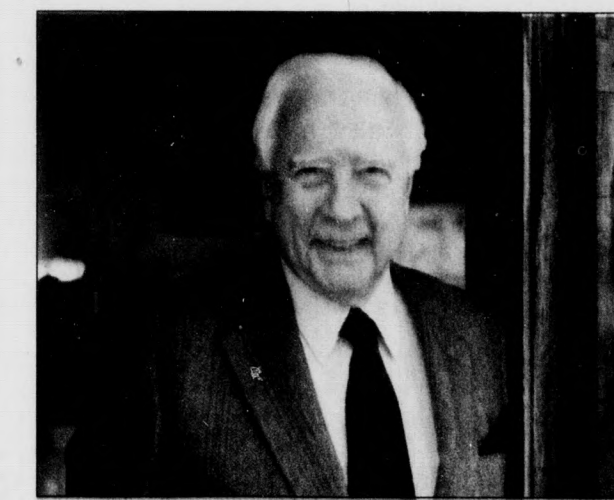
The sororities on campus aren't the only ones thinking about the possible extension.

Sarah Marianacci '11 is very excited to rush next fall.

"As a freshman, I see how many girls are eager to rush, so having a new chapter would give more girls the opportunity to get involved socially on campus. Greek life is a big deal here," Marianacci said.

Greek life has been a part of the campus culture since the 19th century. Phi Kappa Psi fraternity is the oldest national fraternity on campus, established in 1855. Pi Beta Phi became the University's oldest national sorority 40 years later.

Weis Fellow 2008



Courtesy of Simon & Schuster

David McCullough, biographer and historian, was named 2008 Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters. He will receive his award on Tuesday, Oct. 7. Read more in News Briefs on A3.

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ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Detector malfunction.		THEFT—Gerhard Fieldhouse: Under investigation.		ALARM / TROUBLE—Krebs Fitness Center: System malfunction.
Thursday, Jan. 24		MOTORIST LOCKOUT—Gateways Lot: Keys locked in vehicle.	ALARM / FIRE—Silbermann Hall: Caused by burnt food.	SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE—Gateways Lot: Under investigation.
DRUG LAW VIOLATION—Swartz Hall: Under investigation.		MOTORIST ASSIST—Davis Lot: Team van would not start.	PROPERTY / FOUND—7th Street: Recovered property.	
ALARM / TROUBLE—Hunt Hall: Alarm malfunction.				Tuesday, Jan. 29
ALARM / FIRE—Hunt Hall: Caused by cooking.		DISTURBANCE—Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity: Crowd control.	ALARM / TROUBLE—Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity: Unknown cause.	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.
MOTORIST LOCKOUT—Moore Avenue Lot: Keys locked in vehicle.				ASSIST / POLICE—Academic Quadrangle: Property recovered.
Friday, Jan. 25		TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity: Pull station activation.	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION—Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity: Judicial referral.	EMERGENCY PHONE—Bertrand Library: People stuck in elevator.
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Lower Taylor Lot: Under investigation.		ASSIST OTHER AGENCY/ POLICE—St. George Street: Assisted Lewisburg Police Department.	POLICE INFORMATION—Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity: Report filed.	WELFARE CHECK—Vedder Hall: Student located.
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Super Tuesday results anticipated

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"His win gives him needed money and media attention going into Super Tuesday, and it shows ... that he can hold his own in a contest limited to registered Republicans."

Florida's primary was closed, meaning that only registered Republicans could vote. In his win in New Hampshire, McCain relied on the votes of Independents to hoist him to victory.

Even though McCain claims all 57 of Florida's delegate votes, Romney remains a viable candidate, in part due to his deep personal coffers.

"Romney has the resources to compete nationwide in the coming weeks, and his loss to McCain was relatively narrow," Meinke said. "If conservatives who don't trust McCain rally around Romney, he could keep the upcoming contests competitive."

In Florida's Democratic primary, Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.) garnered 50 percent of the vote to Sen. Barack Obama's (D-Ill.) 33 percent. But the vote was mostly symbolic.

Neither candidate spent much time campaigning in Florida because the Democratic National Committee stripped the state of all of its delegate votes after it moved its primary before Feb. 5 without permission from the national committee.

The Republican National Committee penalized the Sunshine State for the same reason by cutting its total number of delegate votes in half, from 114.

Clinton touted her win as a significant "vote of confidence" in a victory speech outside of Miami.

While critics say her exuberance was a stunt, Florida is important because it more closely matches the makeup of the country as a whole than any other state to hold a primary so far.

"It probably is more representative of the nation than any state thus far, but still not a reflection of the nation

because we don't elect a president based on how well you do nationally," said John Grummel, visiting assistant professor of political science, "but based on how well you do in each state."

On Super Tuesday, Feb. 5, more than 20 states will hold primaries and caucuses, and more than 40 percent of all delegate votes will be allocated. While the Republican candidate will likely be decided no later than Super Tuesday, Democrats' decision could be a longer affair.

"Both Obama and Clinton victories would be historic ones by breaking into the white male club that has always held the presidency."
—Andrew Cole '08

Most of the Republican primaries are winner-take-all, meaning that all of the state's delegate votes are awarded to the winner of the state. On Super Tuesday, most of the states are winner-take-all, including New York, New Jersey, Missouri and Arizona. Romney's home state of Massachusetts is one of the few to award its delegate votes proportionately.

The Democratic Party does not allow winner-take-all races. The delegates are awarded proportionately on the basis of the vote in each congressional district on the ballot. That means even a second-place finisher could rack up a significant number of delegate votes.

"I think the Democratic nomination race is less sorted and less predictable at this point," Meinke said. "Clinton's leads in the national polls and in the

larger Super Tuesday states give her an edge, but the Democratic contest could go on for some time, even if Clinton wins most of the Super Tuesday states."

Another reason why the Democratic leader is less clear is that the lines defining the two candidates are thin, their differences more personal than ideological. Both Clinton and Obama would be "firsts" — the first woman or the first black male.

"Both Obama and Clinton victories would be historic ones by breaking into the white male club that has always held the presidency," said Andrew Cole '08, a political science major. "I don't think there's any way to somehow rank what's more important, gender or race, but it most definitely factors into my decision [to vote for a Democrat]."

Cole considers Obama the more electable Democratic candidate, saying that he thinks moderate Republicans would be more likely to vote for Obama than Clinton.

"I think enough Republicans and conservative Independents loathe Hillary Clinton enough to make any general election with her as the candidate a close one, especially against John McCain whom I feel is the strongest GOP (Grand Old Party) candidate," Cole said. "By contrast, Obama is appealing to many Independents."

Former New York mayor Rudy Giuliani, who spent most of his time campaigning in Florida, secured 15 percent of the vote in Florida. On Wednesday, Giuliani announced that he was dropping out of the race and endorsed McCain.

Also on Wednesday, John Edwards, a former senator from South Carolina, dropped out of the race after placing third in every primary so far and tallying 11 percent in Florida.

Remaining in the Republican race are former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee, who totaled 11 percent in Florida, and Texas Rep. Ron Paul, who totaled 3 percent.

Student body split on decision

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Public Safety officers would be able to respond more efficiently than local law enforcement agencies because of their knowledge of the campus, its buildings and its students. David Surgala, member of the task force and vice president of finance and administration, said Public Safety officers also understand the "culture" of a college campus better than municipalities.

The safety of unarmed officers in the line of duty was also considered.

All but one of the 15 Public Safety officers has had over four years of prior experience as an armed police officer — some with over 15 years of experience. All Public Safety officers have completed the 750-hour Pennsylvania Municipal Police Officers Academy and are considered sworn officers. They have the same powers as any state or local law enforcement official. According to the Public Safety Web site, all officers also complete at least 80 hours of mandatory in-service training each year.

According to Mackey, the Board came to their conclusion because they believe it is their responsibility. It was their "moral obligation to do everything possible to protect the safety and security of the campus community," he said.

The Board of Trustees began discussions about arming Public Safety officers last April. They reviewed documents prepared by the ad hoc task force and the Board's Risk Management committee. The decision to arm Public Safety was one of the many steps to increase safety on campus. Other initiatives included cell phone alerts and a newly installed loudspeaker warning device. The decision to switch to card-access residential buildings is also to increase security.

Currently, officers carry a baton and pepper spray. According to Friedberg, they will continue to carry both as lower-force options. All law enforcement agencies in Union County

carry .40 caliber semi-automatic pistols. The outside consultant and the public forums will help to determine what firearms the University officers will carry.

Many different opinions regarding the Board's decision can be found within the student body.

"I think that arming public safety officers is a pretty bad idea," Tricia Bosnic '09 said. "It made me angry that one of the main points the Trustees made was that almost every other Patriot League school has armed officers. When did arming officers become part of keeping up with the Joneses?"

Other students feel arming the officers is necessary to be prepared. Even though Jacob Krizan '08 won't see armed officers before he graduates, he said it would give him peace of mind to know they have the means to protect the students in a bad situation.

"It's important to have authorities on campus with a deterrent so that people know a situation can be contained," said Krizan.

Some see no issues with armed officers.

"There is no reason why we can't trust Public Safety officers with weapons any less than we trust our state and town police officers," Noelle Hawthorne '10 said.

Stacey Featherstone '09, despite her trust in the officers, still doesn't support the decision.

"I am not convinced that this is a necessary move for the limited change in security it would bring," she said. "The money would be better spent educating students ... so that they would recognize warning signs in their peers. This would perhaps stop tragedy before it happens. Even with firearms, public safety will not prevent the first shot."

Margaree Treanton '09 is more concerned about the underlying message of campus safety. "It's scary knowing we actually need weapons to be safe," Treanton said.



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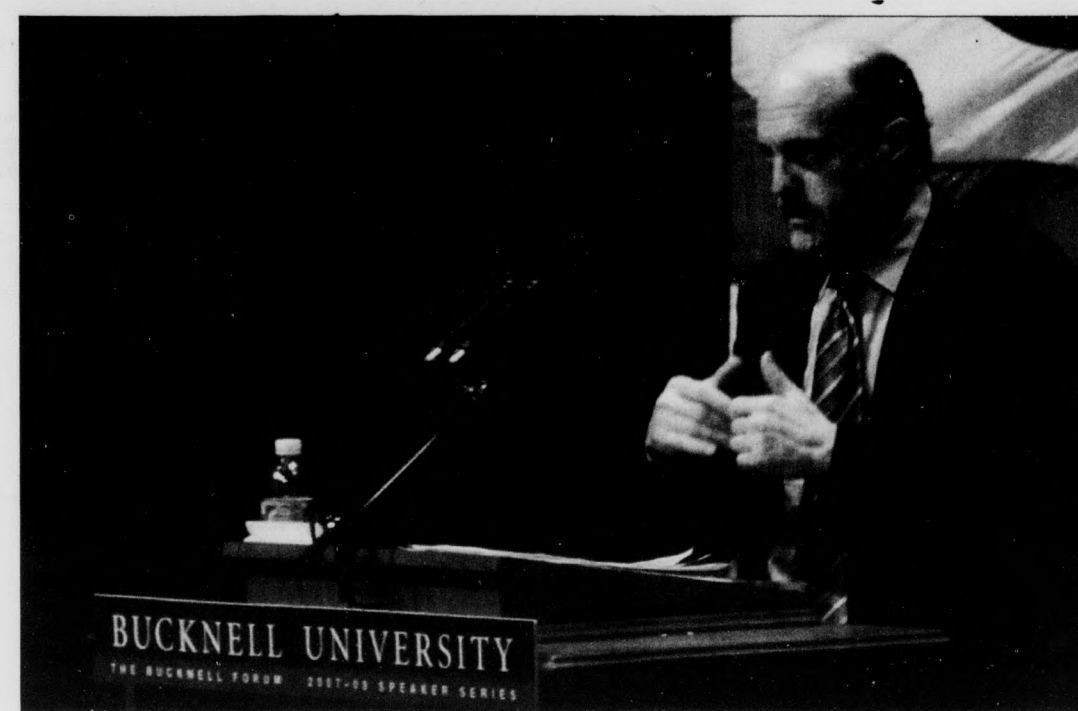
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Speaker encourages enlightened capitalism

Jim Cramer calls for more government regulation in the market

By SOPHIA LEONG
News Editor



Alexandra Kutner—The Bucknellian

Jim Cramer lectures on the meaning of being an enlightened capitalist on Tuesday night. He is the host of CNBC's "Mad Money" TV show.

vented the economic downturns.

"Why didn't the Federal Reserve officials express caution in all the hearings and testimonies?" Cramer said. "It was because of the overweening faith in the marketplace and the sense that only the fittest would survive."

Cramer deemed faith in capitalism and acceptance of tax policies that continually favor the wealthy as shameful: "Laissez faire policy is a fraud to get around the true role of government in promoting the general welfare, in just enriching a select few."

Although a number of corporations have stepped up to help combat global warming, namely Wells Fargo, Cramer said that companies are "greening" because at the root, the exposure

helps them produce the highest sales.

"It's good business, it's good for the shareholders, it's good for the company and good for the economy. But we must never ever think that it is enough—that they can ever deliver on the Preamble's promise," Cramer said.

Instead, Cramer encouraged the audience to become enlightened capitalist citizens and to "seek to join and improve corporate behavior."

The lecture ended by mandating citizens to reassess trust in the market and to restore the credibility of the government.

"We must demand the government to re-regulate the market. Secondly, we must demand that those who benefited pay a fair share. Three, we must stop

pretending that capitalism and the marketplace can do the job of the government," Cramer said. "Fourth and most important, we must all strive to be enlightened, caring capitalists."

Students, faculty and members of the community attended the forum held in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. Overflow was directed to the Leanne Freas Trout Auditorium.

"I was a little disappointed that all the tickets were gone," Weslee Berke '10 said. "But I am glad that they will be airing it in February."

Students were impressed with Cramer's enthusiasm. "It was interesting to see him speak so passionately," John Kim '09 said. "I thought his argument was strong and convincing."

Project provided experience, students say

Students work with professor on polymer research funded by NSF grant

By ABHAY AGARWAL
Staff Writer

Eric Tillman, assistant professor of chemistry, received a \$135,000 research grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). The main goal of this project is to produce amine-labeled vinyl polymers in a controlled fashion, which has previously proven to be very difficult in polymer chemistry.

The process of acquiring the grant from the NSF required much preliminary work on the part of the researchers.

"In order to get this grant, we had to submit our goals for the research and also demonstrate preliminary results—the undergraduate students helped acquiring promising data," Tillman said.

The grant, "Synthesis of Amine-Terminated Polymers," is effective Feb. 1 and includes the cost of new equipment for the laboratories, summer salary for the researchers, traveling expenditure to conferences, as well as chemicals and supplies. Tillman has six students currently working under him on various projects. Two of these students, cell biology/biochemistry major Nicole Cohen '08 and chemistry major, Joshua Leasure (grad), are working on this particular project. The other students are working on different projects.

This is Tillman's sixth year teaching at the University. He received his Ph.D. from University of Southern California, after which he did post doctoral work at California Institute of Technology. All his research focuses on polymer synthesis. According to Tillman, students who are successfully able to complete a year of organic chemistry have the required background to work with him.

"Usually it is the students who approach to work with me, and there are often mutual interests," Tillman said. Most students take research for academic credit during the semester, and work full time during the summer.

I began doing research with Dr. Tillman the summer after my sophomore year through the Bucknell Undergraduate Research Program," Cohen said. "During my first summer of research, however, I gained a great deal of experience in laboratory techniques necessary for polymer synthesis. I really enjoyed my research experience and decided to continue working in this lab during the next semester."

Exposure to research at the undergraduate level allows many students to gain experience with the research process, as well as learning laboratory skills and prepare themselves for a future in graduate school. Cohen plans to attend graduate school to obtain a Ph.D. in biological chemistry or pharmacology and is in the process of interviewing at a number of schools.

Preliminary research on this project was published in 2007 in Macromolecular Rapid

Communications. Further publications in other science journals are expected in 2008 as well.

Cohen feels she has gained many skills working on this project.

"As I learned more about the project, though, I was able to suggest possible alterations in reaction conditions that ended up being very successful," Cohen said. "With the help of Dr. Tillman, I was also able to gain experience in writing scientific papers, as a preprint I had prepared on this project was accepted into the American Chemical Society's 'Polymer Preprints.'"

Leasure has been working with Tillman since last semester. He ended up at the University because it is one of only a few schools that offers a masters degree in chemistry as its terminal degree.

"I'm looking to work in marketing for a large chemical company where I would only need a Masters in chemistry as opposed to doctorate," he said.

Tillman said the University has a strong undergraduate community with many nice facilities and labs, and more importantly, students are interested in pursuing research projects such as these; thus, he has never had to face a shortage of student researchers. With many students simultaneously working for him, it also allows him to keep working at multiple projects at the same time.

NEWS BRIEFS

2008 Weis Fellow named

Biographer and historian David McCullough, the 2008 Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters, will receive his award and give a speech at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 7 in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts. It will be free and open to the public. According to a University press release, McCullough, already a winner of two Pulitzer Prizes, is a recipient of the National Book Award and the Francis Parkman Prize. He served as a narrator for various documentaries and hosts public television's "Smithsonian World" and "The American Experience."

McCullough is "one of the finest historical biographers of our time," President Brian C. Mitchell said in the press release.

The Janet Weis Fellow in Contemporary Letters was established in 2002 to "honor and recognize an individual who represents the highest level of achievement in the craft of writing within the realms of fiction, non-fiction, or biography."

Next Bucknell Forum event for Feb. 6

For the fifth installment of the national speakers series "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen & Politics in America," a panel of experts on religion in politics will discuss "Religion and Politics in America" at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 6 in Leanne Freas Trout Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public. The panelists are Dr. Obery Hendricks, author and professor of biblical interpretation at New York Theological Seminary; Dr. Richard Land, radio host and president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission; Dr. Luis Lugo, director of the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life; the Rev. Barry Lynn, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State and Julie Segal Walters, founder of Civic Action Strategies, will serve as moderator. Full biographies of the panelists are available at <http://www.bucknell.edu/x39750.xml>.

The University ranked as third most expensive college

The University was recently ranked the third most expensive four-year university in the nation, "and most likely the world," by Forbes.com. George Washington University in Washington, D.C. was ranked the most expensive at \$39,240 in 2007-2008. The University was preceded by Kenyon College in Ohio at \$38,140. The other two schools in the top five were New York's Vassar College and Sarah Lawrence College. Read more about the current state of the University's tuition in next week's issue.

Harvard Professor named as Barnard President

The New York Times reported Barnard College has named the next president of the all women's liberal arts college. Debora L. Spar, a political economist and professor at the Harvard Business School, will succeed Judith Shapiro on July 1, 2008. Spar is known for her research on the economics of the human fertility industry as well as the evolution of the Internet. Although the committee was concerned about her lack of experience with an all-women's college, Spar has demonstrated her passion and commitment to the new appointment.

Student government forces newspaper to stop printing

Montclair State University's student newspaper was forced to stop publishing last week after a dispute with the student body government. Editors of The Montclarion were unhappy student government sessions were closed to the press. After several attempts to reach Ron Chicken, the Student Body President failed, the paper began publishing articles criticizing Chicken. The student government then froze the budget of the paper. According to the New York Times, editors at the paper believe the discontinued funding is a way to block criticism towards the student government. The cancellation of the publication has a financial impact on the student paper as it receives over \$60,000 from outside advertising, to which it may have to return.

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The Bucknellian EDITORIAL

Arming public safety: agree to disagree

Many questions are being raised in the community about arming public safety. How much are the guns and training going to cost? Are the officers going to carry weapons everywhere? Under what circumstances will the officers draw their guns? Will Public Safety draw a gun on me when I'm drunk? Who cares if public safety has guns? Why do we need guns anyway? How is this going to affect the atmosphere on campus?

The authorization to arm public safety officers by August 2008 by the Board of Trustees has been met with myriad reactions throughout the University community.

President Brian C. Mitchell captured the gravity of the decision in his e-mail to students, faculty and staff in which he wrote, "The Board has been reluctant to reach the conclusion it has, but has finally done so unanimously, having determined that the appropriate decision was clear."

The Bucknellian editorial board's response to the decision coincides with that of the rest of the campus. It does, however,



agree on one thing: the University administration, the ad hoc task force, the Board of Trustees and especially the Department of Public Safety should be commended for their conduct and candor throughout the decision process.

Not only was the campus community frequently provided with clear, accessible information throughout the decision-making process, but it was also

given interactive opportunities to ask questions and offer input. Such a method should serve as a model for the communication of other campus issues, while continuing to be used during the next few months in which specific policy decisions will be made.

Of course, not every member of the campus community took full advantage of informational opportunities by attending

the forums and reading every e-mail. That, however, does not change the weight that this decision possesses. Guns are a hot-button issue on and off campus. For this reason, students (and faculty and staff) should be required to know the details of the arming policy, much like the alcohol policy. However you feel about either policy, it is undoubtedly best to know your rights and duties as well as those

of public safety. Ignorance isn't bliss.

Currently, the rapport between public safety officers and students is generally positive, and the two groups should strive maintain such a relationship in light of the recent decision. For example, by continuing and expanding upon its involvement with students in campus life (leading a women's self-defense class, participating in the Greek Iron Chef competition), the Department of Public Safety can help to ease the anxiety of the students who are uneasy with the Board's decision.

The formation of the task force, the campus forums and the final decision by the Board all are results of the April 16, 2007 shooting tragedy at Virginia Tech. While everyone does not agree with this decision, it has to be recognized that everyone does have the same goal of keeping the campus community safe. Community members need to keep that goal in mind as public safety, faculty, staff and students work together to try to make this decision a good one.

Kenyan Democracy

Façade cannot solve poverty and violence

By MIKE GIBNEY
Writer

"Kenyan democracy has failed because ordinary people were encouraged to believe that the process in and of itself could bring change," said columnist Aidan Hartley in a New York Times opinion piece (Jan. 11) about the recent violence in Kenya over a democratic election dispute. What can this insinuate for other budding democracies?

Kenya, having gone through the normal ceremony of national elections, has found that democracy is not the end-all solution to African tribal disputes. Poverty is the root of most trouble in Kenya and, although the Western solutions to most foreign disputes are "democracy" and "freedom," they have not yet made this country a safe place to live.

Kenya has been praised for its stability since its independence in the 1960s. Ironically, a true spirit of democracy has recently torn Kenya apart.

In the December election, the incumbent, Kibaki, found heavy competition from the main opposition party. Despite the competition, he came through to win by a substantial margin, prompting accusations of electoral corruption. Tribal disputes contributed heavily to an informal discrediting of the election and, not unheard of, corruption and extreme violence in the independent East African nation ensued.

Kibaki had done wonders for Kenya, providing education and other social programs. The opposition, led by Odinga, wants decentralization, which could possibly destroy the peace of the last 40 years. Letting Kibaki take power because he has better programs, even though he may have lost the vote, is not democracy. We should stop defining it as such in both Kenya and any other developing nation.

President Bush has opted not to visit Kenya in his trip to Africa next month. A crushed dream of democracy in a war-torn country is a proverbial crack in his falling presidential

podium. For Bush and the upcoming presidential election, the unrest in Kenya may come to represent a lack of public support for the installation of democracy in Iraq.

East Africa was not even a blip in Bush's State of the Union Address. According to an America.gov article, Bush stated, "for the security of America and the peace of the world, we are spreading the hope of freedom." The trouble in Kenya may redefine this "hope" and what it means in the reality of United States' foreign affairs.

In a country such as Kenya that has enjoyed peace and stability for over four decades of independence, democracy is still a fragile thing. Tribal disputes have occurred for thousands of years in both Kenya and Iraq; even 40 years of superficial elections will not change that permanently. Behind the democratic façade, the people of both Kenya and Iraq continue to struggle with poverty and violence.

The actual vote count in Kenya is still not public but the pot boils nevertheless. What can we take from this, especially in a time when the United States is spending billions to install a democracy in Iraq, a country fraught with a similar combination of tribal disputes and terrorism? Perhaps if there were oil in Kenya... no, I won't go there.

Kenya has proven that we cannot leave Iraq anytime soon. The "democracy" that germinates in the Middle East will not survive on its own. By installing a democracy in a country that has other driving forces, we create a monster of corrupt political elite.

The concept of democracy as an international relations platform is being destroyed with the death of every Kenyan citizen. Perhaps we should figure out what democracy means before we push it on anyone else.

To these countries that we presume are in need of democratic reform, our attempts to foster democracy are nothing more than an empty symbol of peace and a rich opportunity for corruption.

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McCain for America

By BRETT IRWIN
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Almost a year ago on these pages, I attempted to predict who would be the next president. I am now writing to argue who should be the next president. My prognostication has yielded to persuasion.

Quite simply, John McCain deserves to be president. Not because he is next in line and has paid his dues but because a country as great as ours deserves a leader as great as McCain.

After lavishing that kind of effusive praise on such a flawed man (e.g., he has a temper that can erupt like Vesuvius and an ego the size of the Roman Empire), many readers may be sensing some serious hagiography ahead. So perhaps I should put my use of the word "great" in context. In absolute terms the grand arc of human history will not remember him as a great; he is no Lincoln or Augustus. But relative to the degraded and undignified state of American politics, McCain is indeed an extraordinary leader.

Given our current political system—one that rewards partisans and elevates the ideological—John McCain stands head and shoulders above his peers. He is, paradoxically, both a man of conviction and a man of flexibility. Let me address each of these qualities in turn.

In every primary contest so far, McCain could have (and some argue should have) pandered, but he did not. He stood fast, courageously placing conviction before ambition.

In Iowa he criticized federal subsidies for corn and ethanol, veritable heresy in that state. In New Hampshire where

Republican voters are largely anti-amnesty, McCain did not back down from his support of comprehensive immigration reform.

In economically ailing Michigan, while Mitt Romney was promising billion-dollar bailouts, McCain was talking about higher fuel efficiency standards and the need to confront unpleasant manufacturing realities.

During the South Carolina campaign, McCain opposed displays of the Confederate flag over the state Capitol and called his equivocation on that issue in 2000 an "act of cowardice." And presently in Florida, he refuses to support the creation of a national catastrophic fund, an idea popular with both his rivals and the voters.

The ultimate example of McCain's political courage is his full-throated support of the Iraq surge. He was an early and vocal advocate of the surge, at a time when the war's popularity was at its nadir. With echoes of Henry Clay, McCain said selflessly, "I would much rather lose a campaign than lose a war."

While he is a man of conviction, he is also a man who disdains rigid ideology. McCain, like the Greek poet Archilochus's fox, does not project onto the world a single, all-encompassing system of thought. Rather, he possesses the political version of what Keats called "negative capability." He is "capable of being in uncertainties, mysteries, doubts."

In other words McCain recognizes the inevitability of ambiguity in politics. To him, party dogma is a thing to be parodied. When Republicans were turning a blind eye toward corruption, McCain was

going after Jack Abramoff and bogus Boeing contracts. McCain urged the president to replace Donald Rumsfeld and was consequently condemned as a disloyal zealot.

He has reached across the aisle to forge compromises on immigration, the environment, judges and campaign finance. He is no slave to ideology. McCain represents America's best chance for bipartisanship (even better than Obama).

But McCain's flexibility is needed in an even larger sense. The United States is a nation simultaneously at war and at peace. We thus need a leader, like Shakespeare's Henry V, who can be a king in war and a king in peace. I do not intend to suggest a McCain monarchy, but considering how much power American presidents wield today, perhaps the title King John would not be entirely inappropriate.

Although not fit to wear a crown, McCain is made of—as Francis Bacon would say—"the fittest timber." In the tumultuous twenty-first century, America needs a president who was "ordained to be tossed" but will "stand firm." John McCain is that rare candidate who truly is made of presidential timber.

I believe that the man and the moment are one. As the race unfolds, we will see if others share that belief. I write two days before the Florida primary, where McCain has received eleventh-hour endorsements from Mel Martinez and Charlie Crist. He will win Florida, going on to take Rick Davis's "victory lap" on Feb. 5.

He and I will then have nine months to persuade the rest of the country that he deserves to be called Mr. President.

WBC to protest Ledger's funeral

ZAK MARSH
Writer

When I was informed of Heath Ledger's passing on Jan. 22, I was dismayed by the untimely death of a good actor and decent public figure.

While I haven't seen "Brokeback Mountain" yet, I was a big fan of "Ten Things I Hate About You" and was waiting impatiently to see his work as the Joker in this year's Batman movie, "The Dark Knight." So while I'm far from his biggest fan, hearing of his death briefly saddened me that afternoon.

I was only briefly saddened because shortly after learning of his death, that same friend informed me that the Westboro Baptist Church (WBC) of Westboro, Kansas planned to protest at Ledger's funeral. The sadness I felt was instantly overpowered by the seething fury erupting within me.

And how could I not be livid? The WBC and its leader, "Reverend" Fred Phelps, dedicate themselves to spreading their religiously powered message of dogmatic hatred and homophobia across the planet. Their message is simple and abhorrent: "God hates fags."

Established in 1955, WBC protests at funerals for gays and victims of AIDS, gay rights marches and events, Catholic churches and various other functions. They claim to have "conducted over 33,000 demonstrations since June 1991," but that number is dubious at best as it averages out to roughly five and one third protests every single day for the last 17 years.

So fierce is their blind religious fundamentalism that WBC has recently protested at the funerals of soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan because, according to their Web site (www.godhatesfags.com), they are "troops whom God has killed in Iraq/Afghanistan in

righteous judgment against an evil nation."

Members of WBC bring brightly colored signs to protests adorned with their incendiary taglines, including: "God Hates Fags," "Thank God For AIDS," "Fags Doom Nations," "Thanks God For Dead Soldiers," "God Hates America," "The World Is Doomed," "Thank God For JEDs," etc. They tend not to be a welcomed bunch.

If they can discover the details of Ledger's funeral, WBC will be in attendance, adding that event to the countless other demonstrations of hatred and bigotry they have carried out.

As much as I loathe everything for which Phelps and his cronies stand, I'm not one to bash free speech.

Why target Heath Ledger?

He's not a soldier or gay as far as the public knows, and the autopsy report likely would have mentioned AIDS. According to WBC, Ledger "misused the giant megaphone given to him by God Almighty to speak the truth about fags," and "used his position of prominence to say God is a liar and that homosexuality is not an abomination."

Indeed, rather than recognize it as a touching story of forbidden love between two young people, the WBC cannot seem to get past the most superficial dimension of the film, its portrayal of homosexuality. They claim absurdly that "God hates the sordid, tacky bucket of slime seasoned with vomit known as

"Brokeback Mountain" - and He hates all persons having anything whatsoever to do with it." Hence the protest.

As much as I loathe everything for which Phelps and his cronies stand, I'm not one to bash free speech.

They have a right to protest (peacefully) and say what they want to say. Just as they have that right, so too will I use my right to free speech to decry with every fiber of my being their unpatriotic, hateful, bigoted, homophobic, twisted defilement of scripture and disregard for human decency.

They do not have a right to intentionally cause emotional harm to mourning families and friends or defame and slander with their repugnant filth. So ruled a Baltimore, Md. federal jury last October in a \$10.9 million lawsuit filed by the family of a soldier at whose funeral WBC protested.

It is in every way despicable and disgraceful that these lunatics can hide behind the First Amendment and feed on the pain of others at the most vulnerable time for mourning families. Using funerals as soapboxes for their awful message tears at people with a ferocity hard to imagine.

Protesting at a court, a march or a rally is one thing, because it attacks the issue itself. Bringing that abominable "circus of hate" (as the Baltimore suit's prevailing attorney so perfectly put it) to a memorial service attacks a person and their loved ones. That is unequivocally intolerable.

If Heath Ledger was able to help others identify with gay relationships by bringing the universality of love to something so commonly misunderstood through his performance in "Brokeback Mountain," that is all the more reason to mourn his passing and embrace the legacy he left behind and not condemn so talented and beloved a person.

My Favorite Mistake

When One Door Closes, I Hope No More Open

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In life there is often more than one way to accomplish a task. Some are the right ways. Some are the wrong ways. Some are more right than others.

The Bison can be seen as a microcosm of life. There are a number of ways to get into The Bison. One way is the large trio of double doors that open towards the Seventh Street/Moore Avenue intersection. Another entryway is the side towards the library, commonly referred to as "Uphill."

And then there's the misplaced entryway by the computer cubby, which I refer to as "side door of The Bison." This is the doorway that should not have been. It's the opportunity that should not have been.

There's no reason for this door. If you're coming from the Vedder area or RTK (Roberts-Trax-Kress), you'll most likely choose to enter through the big trio of doors nearest the intersection. If you're coming from the library or Rooke, you'll enter from the Uphill side. Even if you're coming from the gym, it's faster to enter from the back of the Langone Center.

And yet, people still use it. A lot. I occasionally have to sit over by the computer area when The Bison is full, and the number of people using that door is staggering. I wouldn't be so concerned about people using this door if its use didn't make the eating area absolutely frigid. I use the word "absolutely" because, I swear to God, opening that door makes the room's ambient temperature dip towards absolute zero. Once my Mountain Dew even turned to ice.

The most bitterly funny part of the whole situation is examining which path the "side door users" take after leaving The Bison. Many continue on their merry way towards Smith Quad, seemingly oblivious to the chilly mayhem they caused in their

wake. Some are even so audacious as to continue uphill towards the Roberts Hall Quad. This, of course, begs the question: Why use the side door, spending more time outside and freezing so many innocent Bison-goers, when one could go out the main doors and make everyone happy?

Numerous plans have been devised to eradicate this frigid scourge from our hallowed Bison halls. Last winter, after many a cold dinner, Sean Kelton '08 took advantage of social networking and created a Facebook group to implore Bucknellians not to use the side door. "I hate people who use the side door of the Bison when its winter" is 153 students strong and exists even to this day. While the title of the group is a bit strong, I think it gets the point across.

I often advocate the more direct approach of putting up a "Door broken, please don't use" sign. I guess Sean's idea is a bit more honest and more mature, but I contend that my plan would be more effective.

If nothing else, the side door of The Bison serves as a reminder to all of the University's engineers as to where to not put a door when designing an eating area. It's an excellent case study in short-sighted structural design.

Each and every one of us can do our part to minimize the impact of this architectural failure by ceasing to use the side door until winter is over. While it may not seem like a big deal, if not you, then who? For the love of all those who like a warm meal in The Bison, use the main front doors or the back entryway, and let the side door rest in peace.

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W.E.B. Du Bois: One of North America's Premiere Sociologists

Editors Note: This article is one in a series of articles we are running in honor of Black History Month. Each week in February, a University professor will feature a prominent black scholar who contributed to his or her field.

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William Edward Burghardt Du Bois was born in 1868 in Great Barrington, a small town in western Massachusetts. His father, Alfred Du Bois, was born in Haiti, a descendant of mulatto slaves.

Alfred Du Bois worked as a barber and laborer. Du Bois' mother, Mary Silvina Burghardt, a native of the area, was a descendant of Dutch slaves. It was W.E.B. Du Bois' mother who raised him, Alfred having left the family very soon after William was born.

Du Bois' life was a remarkable one that spanned 95 years, ending on the eve of the march on Washington. Just before Martin Luther King, Jr. was about to deliver his famous "I Have a Dream" speech, Roy Wilkins, head of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), announced Du Bois' death in Ghana, the West African country where he spent his last years.

Du Bois was a co-founder of the NAACP. W.E.B. Du Bois was a towering intellectual figure. A graduate of Fisk University, he completed his

post-graduate work at Harvard University. He was the first African American to graduate with a doctorate in Sociology from Harvard University. His dissertation, "The Suppression of the African Slave Trade in the United States of America, 1638-1870," was published by Harvard in 1896 and he published 15 more books, two autobiographies, three historical novels and two works of fiction.

Du Bois' intellectual contribution cannot simply be regarded as a series of firsts, despite the obvious importance of such achievements. His scholarly trajectory is intricately bound up with the invidious history of American racism and its impact on the academy.

Trained in the best tradition of American sociology, Du Bois broadened his intellectual horizons in Europe, made possible through a grant from the Slater Fund. This grant allowed him to study in Berlin for two years.

It was at the University of Berlin that Du Bois was exposed to the teaching and writings of Johann Gottlieb Fichte, Gustav von Schmoller, Adolf Wagner and Max Weber, who was serving in a temporary position at the university during Du Bois' second year there.

Returning to the United States, Du Bois quickly discovered that no white college was interested in hiring him. He struggled to find his first job at Wilberforce University in Ohio.

Though employed by the University of

Pennsylvania, where he began his research on "The Philadelphia Negro," he recounted that his stipend was pitiful, his status was relegated to "assistant instructor," and his name never appeared in the school's catalogue.

The American academy was clearly not ready for a black intellectual. What is also remarkable is that American sociology was still very much in its infancy at this point, offering its first course in the academy around 1874 and its first program by 1885. Du Bois was able to publish his dissertation by 1896, which places him squarely at the center of the development of this discipline in the United States.

Du Bois was one of the earliest academics to distance himself from the sociology of Herbert Spencer, which tended to relate social processes to the laws of chemistry and genetics.

Du Bois very early on realized the importance of placing science in the service of sociology by studying the existential realities of the experiences of one's own group. Du Bois was a keen observer of events taking place around him.

The terror of lynching deeply affected Du Bois, radicalizing and pushing him to take a more political stance, away from a purely empiricist approach. He concluded: "One could not be a calm, cool, and detached scientist while Negroes were lynched, murdered and starved."

This stance essentially locked Du Bois out of

white journals, and he complained of being "shaken by white sociologists' distortion of fact and wanton license of fancy."

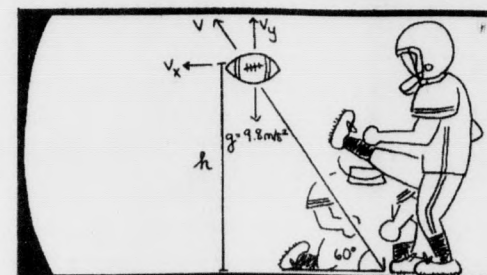
In response to an English friend, who had wished to see some of his work published, Du Bois observed it was "very difficult to get anything favorable to the Negro into many of the American journals just now."

Despite the enormous contribution of W.E.B. Du Bois, there is still no general embrace of this premier American sociologist. It was not until the early nineties that small paragraphs about Du Bois began appearing in introductory texts on sociology. "The Philadelphia Negro" is still overlooked as the first study of urban sociology in America, which foregrounded the Chicago School of urban sociology led by Robert Park.

The monumental study of "Black Reconstruction in America," the phenomenal "The Souls of Black Folk," his work on the black church, on alienation, on race and on socialism, should situate him in the canon of American sociology, but this is not the case. Du Bois remains on the margins of sociology, rescued by history, black literature and Africana Studies.

It is time that sociology begins to mainstream the academic contribution, the breadth of scholarship and the intellectual gravitas of W.E.B. Du Bois. It is time that sociology moves beyond the color line.

Currently Untitled



By Juliana Su



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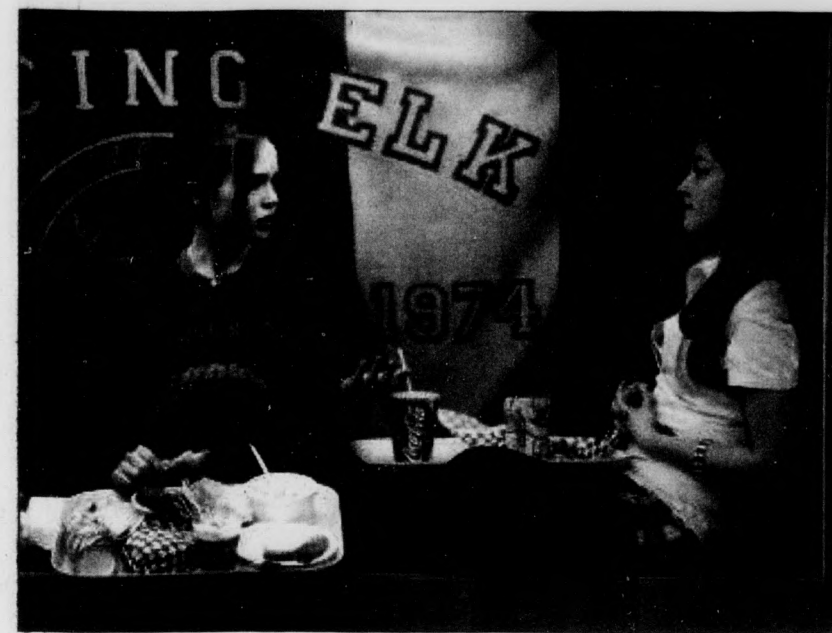
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Juno MacGuff deals with the difficulties of being a pregnant high school junior.

The music of Juno

Quirky, easy-to-listen-to soundtrack pulls together sweet and romantic film

By RICHARD THORNBURGH
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"Juno," the sensational independent film stealing the hearts of viewers across the country, is also the companion to a fantastic and witty soundtrack. In terms of other soundtracks I've listened to, I feel this is one of the best, not only because of the choice of songs, which are quaint and sweet, but also because of the gigantic role they play in the film.

As the story of Juno's life is told, the soundtrack supports her actions, feelings and eventual decisions, which is very rare in most films these days. Most of the songs are romantic and help show the struggles Juno copes with throughout the film. The soundtrack packs both highly known bands such as The Kinks, Belle and Sebastian, Sonic Youth and The Velvet Underground with independent artists such as Kimya Dawson, who has several songs on the album.

The soundtrack starts off with the very quirky, folk-like song "All I Want is You" by Barry Louis Pollisar. It's a perfect opening song because it states right in the beginning what the story of Juno is all about: romance and loyalty. "A Well Respected Man" by the Kinks is the third song and one of my favorites. It's a catchy tune that could be referencing one of the main characters, Paulie Bleeker (Michael Cera). Belle and Sebastian's "Piazza, New York Catcher" is a funny song because its main subject is Mike Piazza of the New York Mets. One of Kimya Dawson's many songs on this soundtrack is "Tire Swing," a very romantic song about a young couple who just want to be kids but have to deal with adult responsibilities. Sonic

Youth's "Superstar" sounds like a very sad and depressing song, but, if listened to closely, is in fact the opposite. This music from the early 90s plays a big role in binding a relationship between Juno and another character.

"All the Young Dudes," performed by Mott the Hoople, is another one of my favorite songs on the soundtrack. It has a very catchy beat to it, almost sounding like The Beatles, and is a song one could easily listen to more

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than once. The soundtrack rounds off with the songs, "Sea of Love," "I'm Sticking With You" and two versions of "Anyone Else But You." All of these cute, romantic songs are worth listening to. But the biggest surprise might be the second version of "Anyone Else But You," performed by Juno and Paulie, who are the two main characters represented by Ellen Page and Michael Cera, respectively. It's the last song of the movie, and until the final shot fades out, the devotion the two characters show for one another is poured out into this performance.

For those of you who haven't seen the movie yet, I highly recommend trying to catch it before it leaves the theaters and also buying this easy-to-listen-to soundtrack for "Juno."

Songs to beat the winter blues

Artists Kate Nash, Rooney, Hot Hot Heat, and Mika help listeners through a chilly start to the semester

By SARAH HALLOWELL
Contributing Writer

Tired of the same old, same old? Feel like you are going to scream if you hear a Fergie song one more time? Trust me, I feel your pain. Here are some suggestions that might breathe life back into your iPod playlists.



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"Should Have Been After You" by Rooney

This catchy song is off of the LA-based band's second album "Calling the World." This song is about a guy just realizing that his dream girl is one of his friends, even after he has dated all of this girl's own friends: "You set me up with your girlfriends / But none of them worked out for me / I'm starting to realize lately / I should have been after you / I should have been after you." That's got to be awkward. I really like the guitar riffs and the drum solo in the intro of the song. Pop culture bonus: The band is supposedly named after Principal Rooney from "Ferris Buller's Day Off." Lead singer Robert Schwartzman, is actor Jason Schwartzman's younger brother and appeared in the movie "The Princess Diaries."



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Kate Nash's debut album, *Made of Bricks*, was released in August 2007.

"Foundations" by Kate Nash

"Foundations" is the second track on "Made of Bricks," the debut album of Kate Nash, who gained popularity thanks to the wonders of Myspace. Kate Nash's music is very much like that of Lily Allen, Regina Spektor or Amy Winehouse. In this song, Nash is criticizing her deadbeat boyfriend. He apparently drinks too much, then ruins her new shoes—something, to which more than one person on this campus can relate, I am sure. Nash perfectly describes this destructive relationship while setting the lyrics to an energetic piano beat. "You said I must eat so many lemons / Cause I am so bitter / I said I'd rather be with your friends, mate / 'Cause they are much fitter." These lyrics are simple and humorous. Nash does not mince her words, which would explain why there is an "explicit content" label on the cover.



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"Let Me In" by Hot Hot Heat

Hot Hot Heat is one of my favorite bands; I have been listening to them since high school. If you like bands like The Killers or Modest Mouse, you will really enjoy Hot Hot Heat. This comes from the third album "Happiness Ltd." "Let Me In" is about a guy trying to win back a girl after becoming conscious of his mistakes. The lyrics are almost poetic: "I drank the wine of youth / Ended up in a coma / Your wicked silver tongue / No wonder nobody told you / That I'm awake now / First time I've ever been able to see what I should have seen / Way back when you let me in." Combine these lyrics with a wicked melody and you've got one hell of a song.



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"Stuck in the Middle" by Mika

My sister got me hooked on Mika. This singer/songwriter has had his music featured on MTV and is nominated for a Grammy. At first listen, Mika could be mistaken for Queen, but the music in fact is very different. He like experimenting with different styles of music along with energetic words. "Stuck in the Middle" is on the album "Life in Cartoon Motion." Mika's first major record. In this song, Mika is looking for someone to love: "Is there anyone home? / Who will believe me, won't deceive me, won't try to change me! / Ah, ah, ah, is there anyone home? / Who wants to have me, just to love me? / Stuck in the middle." Come on, who wouldn't want to find love? You only have to listen to this song once and you cannot help but feel happy.

Cloverfield: Horror film lives up to hype

A first-person camera view captures eerie angles and realistic CGI, making this film a monster hit

By KIMBERLY KANE
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Spoiler Alert

After the mysterious trailer for "Cloverfield," the new film by producer J.J. Abrams, premiered, the movie remained a surprisingly well-kept secret, despite the constant flurry of speculating bloggers and debunked rumors. The tight security around the film, combined with complex viral marketing, had audiences counting down the days until Jan. 18, the film's release date.

Admittedly, I was one of those moviegoers who eagerly waited for more information on "Cloverfield." Meanwhile, I wondered if the film could possibly live up to the hype. I'm happy to say that it did.

"Cloverfield" combines the mindless destruction of classic Godzilla films with frighteningly realistic computer graphics imaging. The movie was shot to look like it was all filmed by an amateur handheld camera. In the movie, the tape is recovered by the U. S. government and presented as evidence of the Cloverfield incident.

The film also plays upon the audiences' fears and the sudden destruction of a New York City landmark (in this case, the Statue of Liberty). However, it quickly becomes clear the destruction is not caused by terrorists but an enormous, reptilian monster.

The film raises many questions about the monster and hardly answers any. The "Cloverfield" monster seemingly arises from the sea, but no one knows why it descends upon New York. In fact, there is evidence in



Courtesy of Internet Movie Database

Cloverfield is set in New York City and features landmarks such as the Statue of Liberty, creating a more realistic sense of fear.

the movie there might be two or three monsters roaming the city—not to mention the parasitic lice that fall off the monster. These dog-sized insects scurry around the city attacking victims. Unlike their monstrous host, the parasitic lice can easily be disposed of with a handy object, such as a lead pipe or an axe. Meanwhile, the monster stomps along, impervious to the weaponry of the U. S. Army. In the words of one army officer, "We don't know [what it is], but whatever it is, it's winning."

The monster is the real star of the film, especially since the cast of human characters is uninspiring.

A group of 20-something hipsters finds their surprise going-away party for their friend Rob interrupted by the arrival of the monster, which is probably a good thing since all the partygoers are busy gossiping about Rob and Beth. The pair slept together, but Beth brings a date to Rob's party because he had blown her off after their encounter since he was moving to Japan.

Beth abruptly leaves the party and the rest of the plot revolves around Rob's desperate attempt to reach her apartment and save her.

Rob's group of friends, including his brother Hawk, Hawk's girlfriend Lily, her sardonic friend Marlana and Rob's friend Hud, loyally accompanies him on his quest to save Beth. Their mission becomes even more dangerous when an officer tells them the government is planning to quarantine and carpet bomb the entire city, and their only chance to escape is by helicopter. Hud, originally assigned to record the party for Rob,

documents the entire event on his handheld camera. The result is dramatic and nauseating, especially when the crew is on a collapsing bridge, running through a bombed building or racing through a dark subway tunnel.

There is little character development. We do see some of Rob and Beth's back-story—he had recorded a day they spent together on Coney Island. Hud is accidentally recording over the tape, and the clips show up randomly throughout the film.

It's hard to feel any attachment to the characters, although their reactions are fairly realistic. I feel rather hypocritical criticizing the characters, whose main dialogue consists of "Oh my God!" In fact, I think my reaction would be pretty much the same, only peppered with a few more swear words.

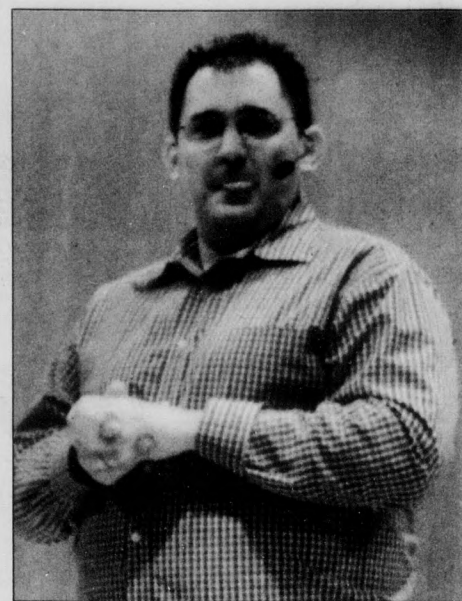
"Cloverfield" does not have a soundtrack, but rather employs the natural sounds of the attack. The sound is all-encompassing and one of the scariest elements of the film. Additionally, director Matt Reeves has a talent for composing visually dramatic and startling shots.

It will be a long time before I forget the images of the Statue of Liberty's head in a Manhattan street, or the monster's foot effortlessly crushing a tank full of soldiers. Despite the unsteady camera work, these scenes are perfectly composed and disturbingly memorable.

I won't reveal who lives, who dies or anything else about the monster—mainly because the film doesn't actually reveal these answers. It does, however, provide a riveting, terrifying experience that will leave you shakier than Hud's camerawork.



Self-taught hypnotist Keith Karkut picks out students susceptible to hypnosis.



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Keith Karkut:

HYPNOSIS EXPRESS

Hypnotist captivates and causes chaos in the Terrace Room

By LIZA BANHALMI
Staff Writer

Activities and Campus Events (ACE) brought hypnotist Keith Karkut back to the University last weekend to perform. Karkut, who has come to the University multiple times since 1998, is known for his performances during first-year orientation. He became a full-time hypnotist in 1997 but also runs an entertainment business as well, and has traveled to 25 states including Texas, Arizona and Maine.

As a graduate of East Stroudsburg University, Karkut saw his first hypnotist as a college freshman and "fell in love." After talking to the hypnotist, Karkut began reading hypnosis books and taught himself how to hypnotize others. His first subject was his first-year RA, which Karkut "hypnotized right out of a book." From there, Karkut performed at student talent shows at his school, started his entertainment business after graduating, and went full time 10 years ago.

His show Friday started with audience-wide hypnosis exercises to see who was susceptible

to the practice. From there, anyone in the audience could go on stage and try to be hypnotized. Although many people ended up leaving the stage after not feeling the effects of hypnosis, a few subjects remained, and a few "junkies" in the audience joined as well.

From here on, it was chaos. Acting like Godzilla and Tarzan, to N'SYNC and Gwen Stefani, the hypnotized subjects ran around the Terrace Room, acting in ridiculous and funny ways. They were also hypnotized to believe Karkut had a foul smell. Unfortunately one of the hypnotized men threw up in repulsion. Luckily, he recovered, and the mess was cleaned up. Karkut actually had this happen to him before when he performed in the Bison in his early years coming the University.

The night was topped off with a dance contest, in which Karkut told contestants there was a \$10,000 prize. The hypnotized contestants danced Hawaiian, robotic and disco style. The show was chaotic and a little disturbing when one of the hypnotized participants became sick, but overall it was very entertaining. Like Karkut said at the end, "Bucknell shows are wild."



Above, Karkut entertains a packed crowd in the Terrace Room on Jan. 25. Left above, two hypnotized students ride an imaginary roller coaster. Left below, Ashley Aveila '11 believed she was on the phone with her mom.



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Juno: Academy nominated indie film dreams big

Film delivers great music, great acting, and new perspectives on life and love

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

"Like the city in Alaska?" "No," bitterly replies a very displeased Juno MacGuff.

In this highly entertaining indie flick, Ellen Page stars as quirky and witty Juno MacGuff, a suburban high school junior impregnated by her meek best friend, Paulie Bleeker, played by Michael Cera. Unlike other teenage girls who might choose to undergo an abortion, Juno finds herself unable to part with the living creature

with fingernails, oddly enough, growing inside of her. This film follows her journey throughout pregnancy and the many problems she encounters — from choosing the baby's adoptive parents, getting an ultrasound, coping with her strange affection for her best friend whom no one believes is the father, dealing with the relationship forming between herself and the baby's adoptive father, and enduring belittling remarks from her own father and stepmother.

The story of Juno is like no other tale of unwanted pregnancy. Unlike "Knocked Up," which conveyed a vulgar sort of comedy, "Juno" contains a bitter and awkward, yet endearing sense of humor. It's very unconventional, adding interest to the film. The character of Juno MacGuff is a work of art in herself. With her unique sense of humor and intense love of gory horror movies and guitars, Juno is a most interesting and captivating character that will appeal to audiences of all demographics. Throughout her journey, she learns



Courtesy of Internet Movie Database
Ellen Page and Michael Cera star as suburban high school juniors in Juno

not only about herself, but also about the nature of love in real life. Ellen Page delivers an outstanding performance as Juno, worthy of the many award nominations the film has received.

Written by Diablo Cody and directed by Jason Reitman, this film offers an intriguing look into the

life of one unusual girl who overcomes obstacles and gains new perspectives on life. If not a stunning masterpiece, it is, at the very least, an enjoyable and humorous film everyone can enjoy. It features an excellent and well-written script, with such lines as "You are the cheese to my macaroni," and "That ain't no Etch-A-Sketch. This is one doodle that can't be un-did, Homeskillet." The film also features Jennifer Garner as Vanessa, the adoptive mother; Jason Bateman as Mark, the adoptive father; J.K. Simmons as Juno's father and Allison Janney as Juno's stepmother. As an added bonus, Rainn Wilson (who plays Dwight Shrute of "The Office" fame) has a small role as Rollo the cashier.

"Juno" is nominated for numerous Academy Awards, including best motion picture of the year, best performance by an actress in a leading role (Ellen Page), achievement in directing and best original screenplay. But can Juno win them all? In the words of Juno MacGuff, "Whoa! Dream big!"

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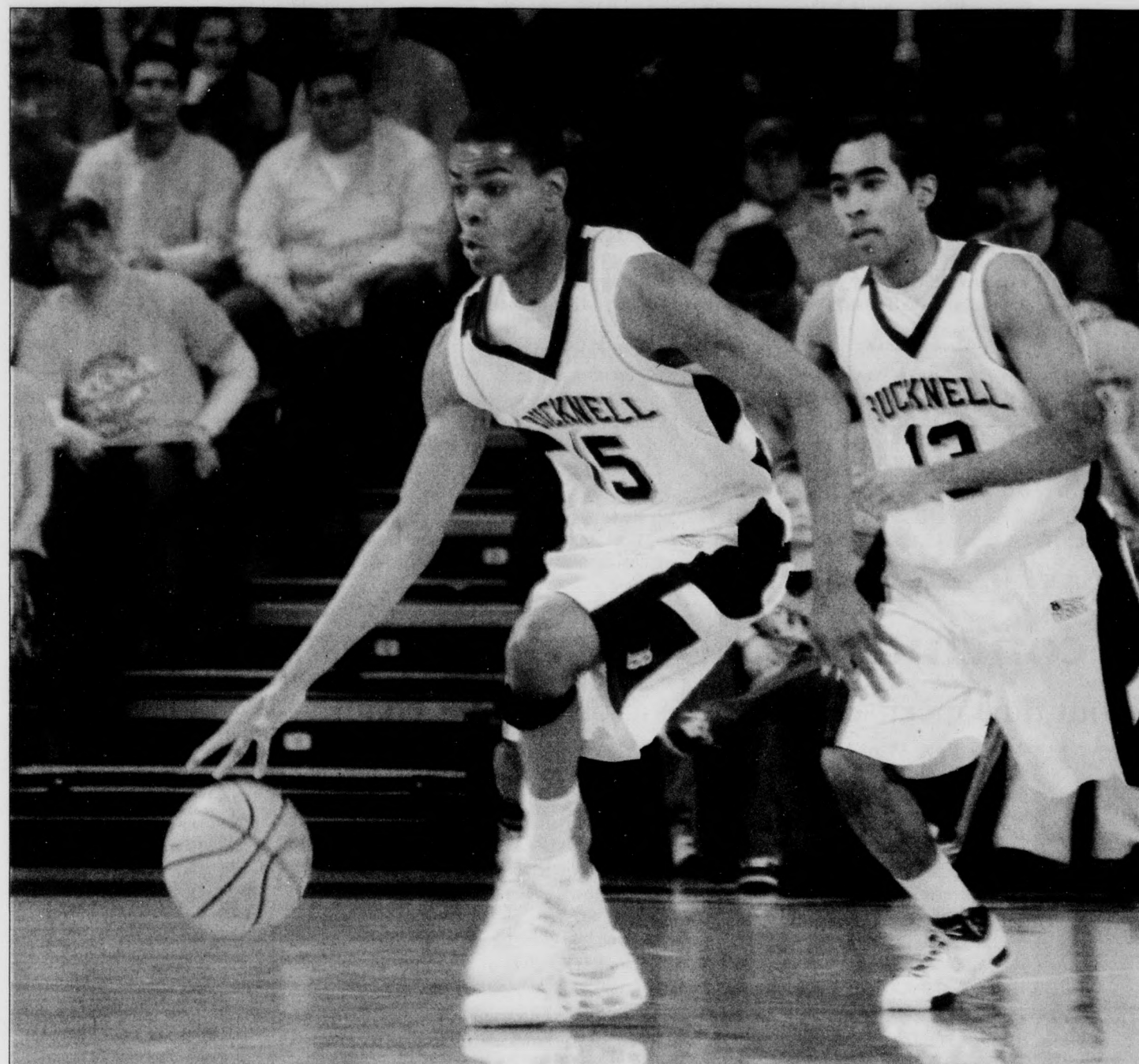
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THE STREAK IS OVER

Men's basketball falls to Lehigh 56-54 for first Patriot League home loss since 2003



Ryan Winn—The Bucknellian

After 38 straight wins, the Bison lost a Patriot League home game Wednesday to Lehigh, 56-54. The loss also snaps a seven game win streak for the Orange and Blue over the Mountain Hawks, dating back to 2004.

By MATT SAYLOR AND
JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Associate Editor of Content
and Senior Writer

With a 56-54 loss to Lehigh on Wednesday, the Orange and Blue men's basketball team saw its streak of 38 consecutive home victories against

Patriot League opponents come to an end. The last loss for the Bison to a Patriot League foe at Sojka Pavilion had been 1,795 days ago, a 64-56 loss to Colgate on March 2, 2003. Coupled with a 60-55 home win on Saturday against Colgate, the Orange and Blue's record stands at 9-11 overall and 4-2 in conference play.

The streak concluded undefeated regular seasons from 2004 through 2007, seven Patriot League Tournament wins and three wins this season.

When asked if the conclusion of this historic run was on his mind after the game, Darren Mastropalo '08, a member of the team for 31 of those wins, said, "Absolutely, but that is not the most impor-

tant thing right now. We still have a lot of this season ahead of us."

"It is a big hit for the three seniors especially. This was our last chance to play Lehigh at home," he said.

Assistant Head Coach Nathan Davis, filling in for Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 who left the game in the second half due to illness (see

Flannery hospitalized), did remember to point out the positive.

"The reality is we are 4-2 in league," he said. "We have played well in all six games. Everything is in front of us."

Lehigh led 8-3 early, but an 8-2 Bison run gave the squad an 11-10 lead, its only one of the night. The Orange and Blue did tie the game at 18 on a Jason Vegotsky '09 three-pointer, and cut Lehigh's lead to one, 25-24, on a John Griffin '08 three with 1:51 to go until the half. The Mountain Hawks scored on their final two possessions though, to take a 29-24 lead into the locker room.

Bryan White scored four quick points for Lehigh to open the second stanza and extend their lead to seven, 33-26, but the veteran play of Mastropalo and Rob Thomas '08 kept the Bison close. Mastropalo scored eight of the team's first 10 second-half points and Thomas tied the game on three separate occasions with jump shots, the last coming at the 9:38 mark to knot the score at 42.

The Bison then went the next 5:23 of game action without scoring, and found themselves behind for the remainder of the game. The Mountain Hawks made seven out of 10 free throws in the final minute, and a Darryl Shazier '11 three-pointer with two seconds on left on the clock and cutting the score to 55-54 came a little too late.

Zahir Carrington led all scorers with 19 points, and White had 13 points and a game-high 11 rebounds. Thomas led the Bison with a season-high 11 points, while Griffin added 10, but missed nine of his 12 field goal attempts. Mastropalo finished with eight points and six rebounds, and Todd O'Brien scored nine points off the

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Flannery hospitalized

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

Head Men's Basketball Coach Pat Flannery '80 left the Jan. 30 game against Lehigh and was taken to Evangelical Community Hospital in Lewisburg, where he was listed as being in satisfactory condition late Thursday afternoon.

Further evaluation and testing were scheduled, and according to a press release from the University athletics department, Flannery and his family have asked that any new details remain private at this time. No timetable was given for when Flannery may be released from the hospital or if he will be with the team for Sunday's home game against Army.

With 15 minutes and 31 seconds remaining in the second half of the Lehigh game, Flannery questioned the officials on a foul called against Stephen Tyree '10. At the end of this exchange, Flannery fell down onto his knees. He appeared to struggle a bit to return to his feet, but did so and led the team into the timeout.

The game continued on, but at the 13:35 mark Assistant Coach Nathan Davis took charge of the squad, while Flannery was checked out by Assistant Athletic Trainer Brian Scorsone; Dr. Dean Harter, an orthopedic surgeon with Geisinger Associates who works with the team; and Dr. Donald Stechschulte, director of student health services. Flannery walked off the court under his own power, accompanied by the three men back into

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Track and field split squads over weekend

Bison send teams to Penn State National Invitational and Bison Open

By BRIAN MULLIGAN
Sports Editor

The track and field teams hosted the Bison Open and Multi this past weekend in Gerhard Fieldhouse and sent a select squad of athletes to the Penn State National Invitational to compete against some of the best teams on the east coast. The Penn State meet gave the Bison a chance to match up against high-caliber athletes from schools like Georgetown, UConn and Boston College.

"We had a very busy weekend as we hosted a 20-school invitational as well as taking a number of athletes to compete in the Penn State National Open," Head Coach Kevin Donner said. "Overall it was a very solid showing as we continue to see some improvements and get ready for the upcoming Patriot League Championships Feb. 22, 23 and 24."

On the men's side at Penn State, Kerry Boyle '09 continued from where he ended last season with a third-place finish in the 400-meter dash. Boyle finished in 47.56 seconds, a new school record and IC4A qualifying time. Teammate Wallace Campbell '08 also broke into the Bison record books in the mile for the first time since 1991 with a time of 4:10.00. He placed 11th overall in the race and qualified for the IC4A championship.

Kevin MacLeod '09 qualified for IC4As in the 400-meter dash with a time of 49.00, placing him second in the record books. Kyle Ramer '10 finished ninth in the 1000-meter run in 2:29.44 and also qualified for the IC4A championship. Andrew Yehl '10 tied the seventh-best Bison time in the 200-meter dash with a time of 22.66.

Megan Hathaway '09 broke into the record books for the women in the 500-meter dash in 1:16.40, which was good enough for sixth-all

time. Teammate Jennifer Pierce '10 finished less than a second behind Hathaway in the 500-meter to place ninth overall. Fehle Hanson-Hall '08 had an exceptional performance in the 800-meter run, finishing in 2:16.29.

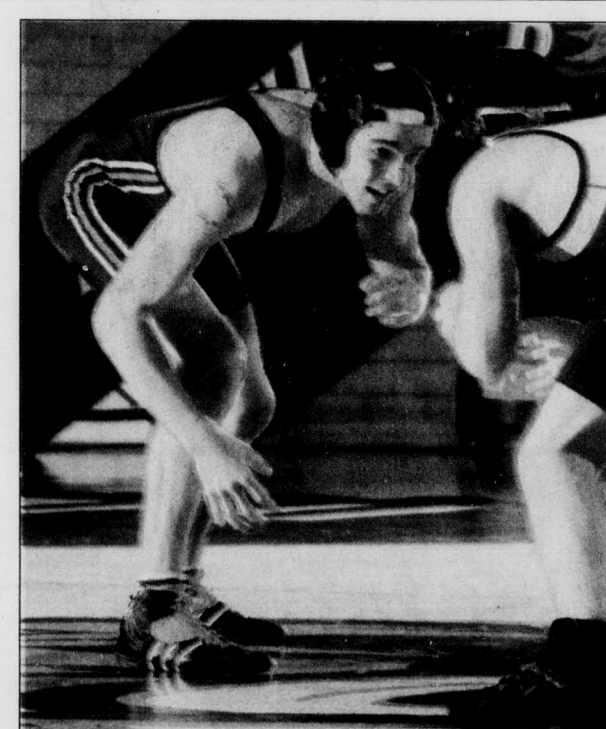
Erin Cranmer-Hart '08 and Victoria Gilbert '08 finished within three seconds of each other in the 1000-meter run, finishing fourth and sixth respectively. Rebecca Frey '11 cleared a height of 11 feet and 6 1/4 inches in the pole vault, placing sixth.

At the Bison Open and Multi, AJ Kizekai

'10 placed fifth in the 60-meter dash in 7.11, placing him second all-time in Bison history, while Jason Davis '10 also entered the record books at fourth all-time in the same event, finishing eighth overall.

Ryan Robinson '09 earned first-place honors in the high jump, clearing a height of 6-6, while teammate Evan Novakowski '11 won the 500-meter run in 1:07.73. Tim Medlock '10 con-

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications

First-year profile: Kevin LeValley

By CONNIE BARKO
Senior Writer

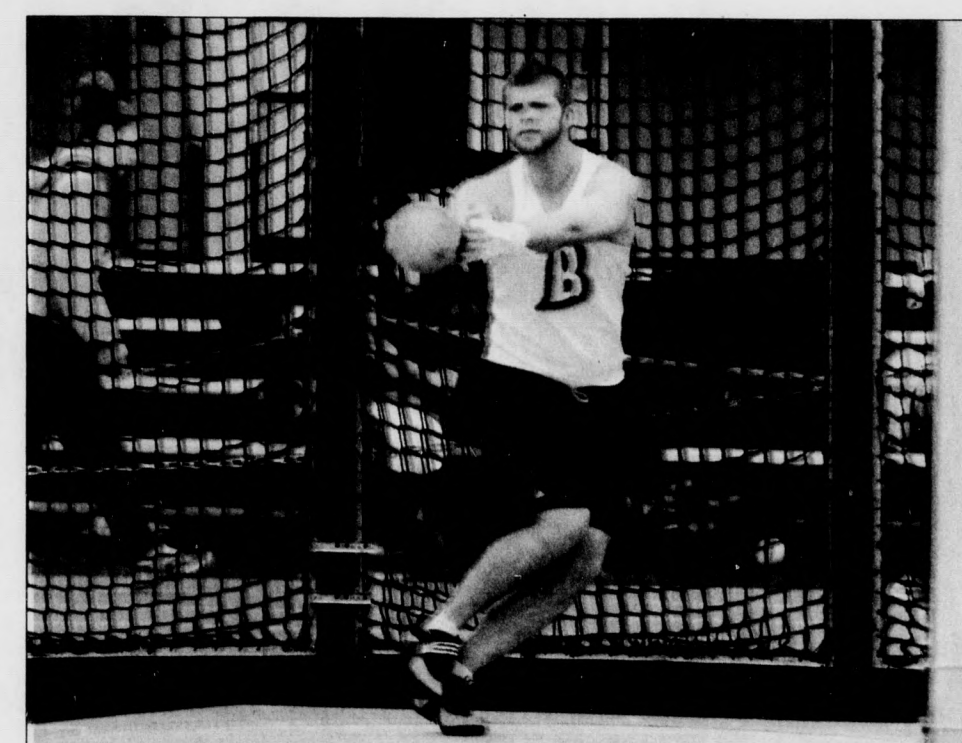
Kevin LeValley '11 is one of 14 first-years on the men's wrestling team, yet he is already standing out among his peers. He currently has a record of 18-9 and 10-6 in duals. LeValley is also tied for the team lead in major decisions with nine. Beyond the statistics, LeValley stands out because of his

attitude.

"Kevin is a tremendous leader that has been able to make an immediate impact in our program," Head Coach Dan Wirnsberger said. "He does everything right in and out of the athletic arena. He lives the right lifestyle and that is what makes him successful."

When I asked LeValley

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Ryan Winn—The Bucknellian

James Meyer '08 winds up for a toss. Meyer and the Bison travel to Ohio this Saturday to compete in the Akron Open.

Wrestling wins two of three, beating Liberty and The Citadel

Orange and Blue sweep double header on Saturday, fall to No. 22 Old Dominion the following day

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

The wrestling team was 2-1, posting victories over Liberty and The Citadel last Saturday, and falling to No. 22 Old Dominion last Sunday. The Orange and Blue won 14 of 20 total matches in their double header on Saturday but were unable to muster more than two wins against the Monarchs a day later. The results bring the Bison to 7-8-1 on the year.

"The team performed very well versus Liberty and The Citadel. We out-wrestled those opponents in every aspect," Assistant Coach Dustin Manotti said. "As for our match against ODU we were less fortunate. The opponent controlled the intensity and pace of each match. We got caught backing up and wrestled on our heels."

The Bison entered their match against Old Dominion University with two wrestlers ranked in the top 20, but each was upset during the match. At 165, No. 19 Andy Rendos '10 lost 5-3 in the sudden victory period to No. 20 Chris Brown, while No. 15 David Marble '10 was pinned by unranked Kyle Hutter in the 133-pound bout.

Shane Riccio '10 and Brantley Hooks '10 were the only two Bison to manage victories against the powerful Monarch squad. Hooks was able to score a 7-3 decision over Dan Rivera in the 157-pound

weight class, while Riccio knocked off Nick Pullano in the 174-pound match. Riccio, who has competed in multiple weight classes this year, extended his win streak to 10 straight matches with the 4-2 decision. Hooks has now won six out of his last eight.

"Brantley Hooks and Shane Riccio have stepped up their game considerably since we came back from break," teammate Greg Hart '10 said.

The Monarchs scored 3 major decisions and one pin in the match, and ultimately left with a 30-6 win.

The Orange and Blue fared much better in their double header the day before in Lynchburg, Va.

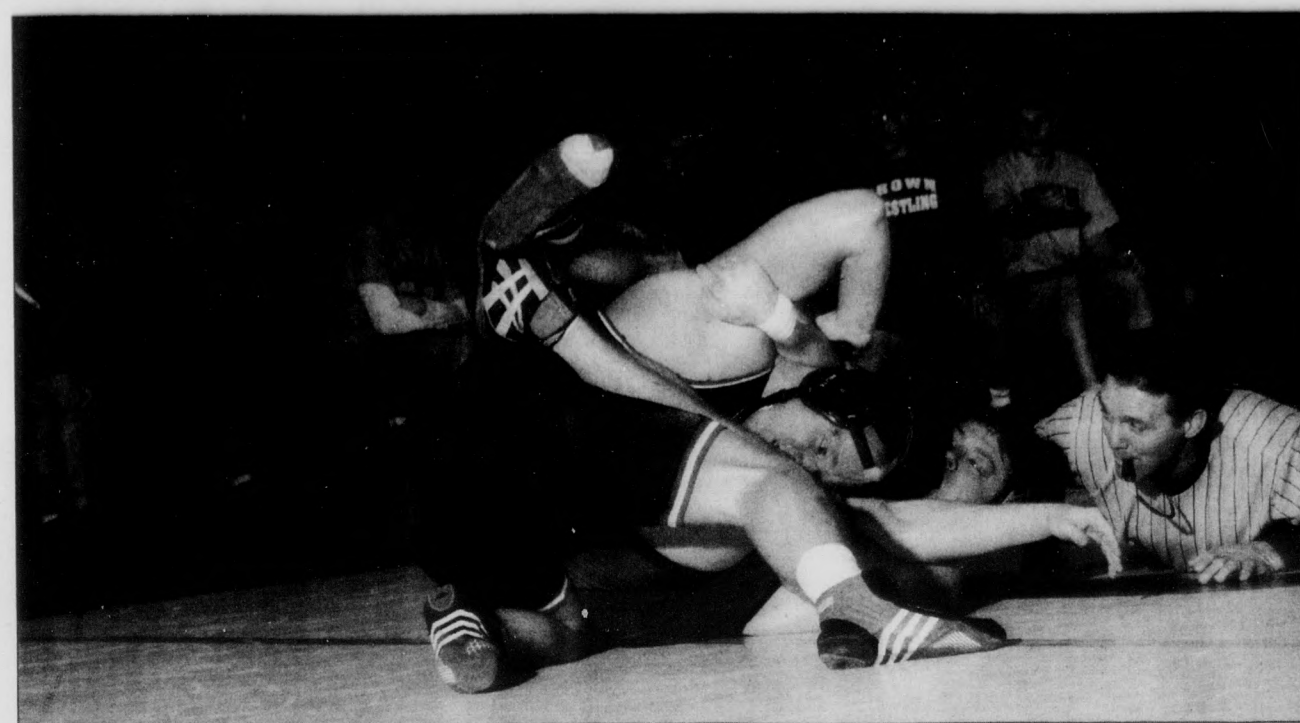
In their first match of the day, the Bison avenged a home loss from last year with a dominant 25-9 victory over Liberty.

At 125 pounds, Greg Hart earned a 6-2 decision over Sean Katz, while Dave Marble took care of T.J. Mitchell in the 133-pound match. A pin of Luke Chohany '10 by Tim Hamer at 141 was answered with six straight wins for the Bison.

Kevin LeValley '11 scored a 10-0 major decision over Scott Clymer at 149, while Brantley Hooks and Rendos each earned 4-2 and 9-4 decisions respectively in the 157 and 165-pound weight classes.

Three more decisions by Shane Riccio at 174, David Thompson '11 at 184 and Charlie Wonsettler '11 at 197 sealed the victory for the Orange and Blue.

Later in the day, the Bison again



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Heavyweight George Hingson '10 fends off an opponent in a match against Brown. The Orange and Blue are now 7-8-1 heading into a match with EIWA rival Columbia this weekend in N.Y.

reeled off six straight victories to lead them to a 22-12 win over The Citadel.

Dave Marble and Luke Chohany erased an early 3-0 deficit with major decisions, stretching the score to 8-3 in favor of the Bison. Chohany beat Kirby Thompson 16-4, while Marble disposed of Anthony Easter 14-4.

LeValley followed with a 5-0 win over

Derek Royster, and Brantley Hooks scored a 6-2 decision against Keith Koziel.

Andy Rendos scored an emphatic technical fall, 25-9, against Brendan Prince in the following match, and the final win for the Orange and Blue came on a 7-2 decision by Shane Riccio over Derek Sickle at 174.

The Bison now turn their attention to conference opponent Columbia this weekend, and look to advance their record to

.500 for the year.

"The season has had its up and downs but overall we are on track to have a very successful season," Manotti said.

"Things are starting to come together great," Dave Marble said. "We just all need to peak at the right time - the first and third weeks in March."

The Orange and Blue travel to New York City on Friday to meet Columbia at 7 p.m.

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tinued to roll in the shot put with another ICA qualifying heave of 51-11.75.

On the women's side, Amy Mantush '10 had a breakout performance in the pentathlon, winning the event with a total of 3,435 points. Gillian Nordquist '09 finished fourth in the 3,000-meter run, crossing the finish line in 10:26.23, while Stephanie Evans '10 earned second-place honors in the 200-meter dash. Chelsey Musante '10 cracked the record books in the weight throw with a toss of 50-2, putting her at 10th all-time.

The Orange and Blue will make the trek to the University of Akron in Ohio to compete in the Akron Open on Saturday. Donner has high hopes for the competition at the meet.

"This is a very competitive meet with many schools from the midwest in attendance," Donner said. "The track is 300 meters long which will make for some fast times in the long sprints and middle distance races."

Jeff Manning '09 won the three-meter diving title with a personal-best score of 298.35.

The Bison begin the championship portion of their season on Saturday at the Navy Invitational and continue to the Patriot League Championships next weekend.

By ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

The men's and women's swimming came out firing this weekend at Lehigh University as both teams capped off their dual meet seasons with resounding victories. On the men's side the team finished the season 6-2 overall and 5-1 in the Patriot League—the best dual meet finish since the 2000/2001 season. The Bison finished with an overall record of seven wins and two losses. The women's team improved to 4-4 and 4-2 in the Patriot League, and the Mountain Hawks remained winless for the year.

The women's team won 13 events and had three double-event winners. Kristen Skroski '08 (1000-meter freestyle and 500 freestyle), Molly Goebel '11 (50 freestyle and 100 butterfly stroke), and Megan Mongan '10 (200 backstroke and 100 freestyle) all had double goals for the Bison, knocking off Lehigh 182-107.

Other individual winners for the Orange and Blue were Macey Keith '11, Caroline Walsh '10, Kelly Morris '09, Lauren Russell '10, Eliza Massie '10, Courtney Warren '10 and Becky Bersani '10. The women's team also won both the 200 medley relay and the 800 freestyle

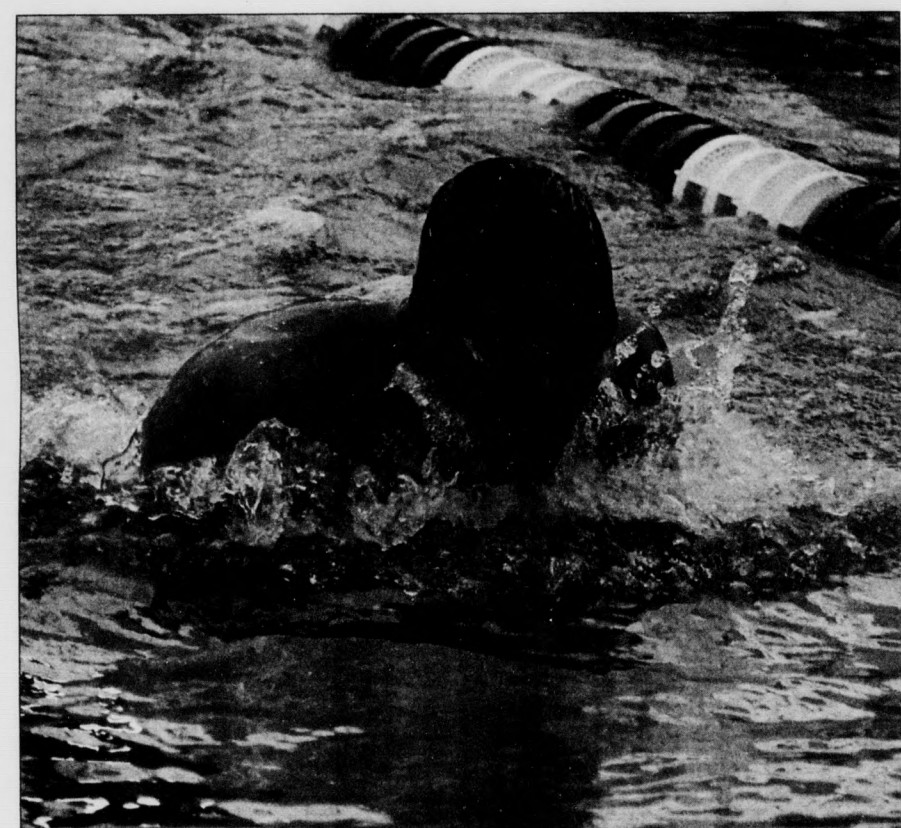
relay using exhibition swimmers in the latter relay.

The men's meet was neck-and-neck, with a final score of 164-134. The Bethlehem, Pa. school saw its record fall to 2-7 overall and 2-2 in the Patriot League. The lone double-event winner for the team was Luke Trafton '10. Trafton won the 1000 freestyle in a time of nine minutes and 43.87 seconds and the 500 freestyle, clocking a time of 4:42.36.

Bradford Bennett '08, took first in the 100 breaststroke and Joseph Metcalf '08, took the top spot in the 200 breaststroke. Daniel Fletcher topped the 200 backstroke, winning the event the past two weekends the Bison have competed. Mark Kawczinski '09 swept the 100 backstroke title. The last victory for the Bison came in the 200 medley relay as Kawczinski, Bennett, Grant Steadman '08 and Fletcher combined for a time of 1:35.17.

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Joseph Metcalf '08 works for another impressive finish. Metcalf took first place in the 200 meter breast stroke against Lehigh.

Upcoming Bison basketball games on ESPN

Come support the men's basketball team as they take on Army on Sunday at 12 p.m., live on ESPN! Wear your orange and blue, paint your faces and bring your cleverest ESPN and Bucknell posters to the game. The posters will be judged and the winners will receive an exciting ESPN prize! Also, check out ESPN360.com for future Bucknell games. ESPN360.com is now available free to anyone on Bucknell's network and features a variety of live and exclusive sporting events. Cheer the Bucknell men's basketball team on as they face Holy Cross on Feb. 16, live on ESPN2 and ESPN360.com. Contact Katie Leinen (kleinen@bucknell.edu), Bucknell's ESPN Campus Connection Representative, with any questions about the contest, ESPN or ESPN360.com! Go Bison!

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Bison split two games

Orange and Blue defeat Colgate at home and lose at Lehigh

By TY CLARK
Senior Writer

With a strong showing against Colgate on Saturday, the women's basketball team righted the ship after two losses the previous week before losing to Patriot League-leading Lehigh on Wednesday away from Sojka Pavilion.

Though the Orange and Blue had suffered two losses in the early half of the three-game homestand by a total of 10 points, they showed no ill effects in the match against Colgate. The Red Raiders, the same team which had half behind 27-0 during their visit last season to Sojka Pavilion, were clearly not on the same level with the Bison.

After a pre-game ceremony where Bison center Hope Foster '08 received a ball commemorating her 1,000th career point, the Bison took charge of the game early, thanks to their defense.

"Our focus was on the defensive end and transition," said Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka. "The last few games we allowed teams to let us play half court, but I thought our point guards did a better job of pushing the pace."

The Bison's defense forced Colgate into tough shots and even no shots—Colgate committed two shot clock violations in the first 10 minutes—which led to easy buckets at the other end for the quicker Bison. Lauren Schober '09, Keisha Champion '08 and Foster paced the Bison early, combining to score the first sixteen points for the Orange and Blue. By the eight-minute mark of the first half, Bucknell had opened up a 25-3 lead over the visiting Red Raiders.

Fedorjaka, sensing the flow of the game, began to substitute multiple players out. Instead of the usual seven-player rotation, all eligible Bison players had entered the game by the time Colgate got its second field goal with 6:50 to play in the first. No Bison besides Champion played more than

27 minutes or less than seven.

Foster was left in long enough to tie the mark she was destined to shatter since her freshman year—the Patriot League block record of 309, which has stood for more than a decade. Fedorjaka noted that Hope "has established herself more inside" over the last couple games.

The focus of the second half was clearly on the freshmen, who performed admirably. Taylor Phillips '11, getting her third start, led the Bison in rebounding with seven, while Cosima Higham '11 and Joyce Novacek '11 proved too aggressive to keep off the boards, finishing with six apiece.

Though many freshmen played well, the night belonged to Jessica Lynch '11. Lynch, stuck outside the rotation, had only played for 31 min-

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utes in the seven prior games she had entered, scoring nine points on 3-8 shooting. But Saturday, Lynch lit up the court with four three pointers for 12 points in 21 minutes.

After the 65-36 match was over, coach Fedorjaka raved about the play of her freshmen. "They did pretty well in terms of sets and position; they have come a long way."

Four days later, the Bison traveled to Lehigh to take on the Mountain Hawks, tied for first with Army and Lafayette.

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Bison compete at Cornell Invitational

Women's tennis faces tough competition in season's first tournament

By JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

The women's tennis team spent the weekend in Ithaca, N.Y., facing some tough competition at the Cornell Invitational. The tournament had a match-play format with several different flights for both doubles and singles pairings.

"The Cornell Invitational is a quality tournament with high level players. I always expect match-play to be difficult and to push our players," Head Coach Rebecca Holt said.

In Flight A doubles, Lauren Lucido '11 and Tania Varela '10 teamed up to top Niki Flach and Brooke Jones of Army 8-4. The pair advanced to the semi-finals where they fell 8-6 in a close match to Sinziana Chris and Shayna Miller of Cornell. Both Lucido and Varela also represented the Bison in Flight 1 singles. Lucido dropped a 6-4, 6-3 contest to Anna Edelman of Binghamton, while Varela took her match into the third set before losing 6-2, 5-7, 7-6 (1) to Dina Senkina of Temple.

Three Bison suited up for Flight 2 singles, including team co-captain Paulina Gamboa '09, Carlin Calcaterra '10, and Dara Dwojewski '11. All three faced tough opponents and

failed to advance past the first round. Gamboa's fellow co-captain Caitlin Baffa '08 paired up with Dwojewski in Flight 2 doubles, where they dropped their first match to Ashley Ebbert and Melissa Ortez of Cornell, 8-2. The duo rebounded upon reaching the consolation bracket. They played their way into the semi-finals, but were defeated 8-6 in a tight match against eventual winners Josephine Bergman and Anastasiia Rukavishyova of Temple.

"Our freshmen are very talented. Lucido and Dwojewski have made an immediate impact on our doubles and singles line-up," Holt said. "With every match they play they show a bit more maturity in their shot selection and overall confidence on the court. [Lauren] Rottkamp '11 got her first opportunity to play this past weekend after being injured throughout the fall, so we will be looking for her to make some big strides and possibly impact our starting lineup as well."

Baffa, Renee Weissend '10, Kirstyn Sotak '10 and Rottkamp all played matches in the final Flight 3 singles. Weissend triumphed over Danielle Kashou of Binghamton, 6-2, 7-6 in the



Lauren Lucido '11 smacks a forehand volley. Lucido and the Bison host Duquesne this Saturday at 1 p.m.

first round, but lost 6-1, 6-4 in the second round to No. 1-seeded Bergman of Temple. Baffa, Sotak, and Rottkamp all suffered first round losses, but Baffa reached the finals of the consolation bracket, ultimately

falling 6-0, 6-0 to Robie Vemono of Army.

The women's team hosts Duquesne at home Saturday. The matches will be held in the West Branch Tennis Club, and is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m.

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what expectations he had coming to the University, his answer was a good example of the confidence that Coach Wirsberger described.

"I expected to be a starter at 149 pounds. I expected to have a successful season. If you don't expect to be the best, you won't be. You always have to expect to be the best and train to be," LeValley said.

LeValley's commitment to wrestling has paid off over time. In Limon High School, he won four high school state titles and was named the 2007 Wrestler of the Year in 2007. Ending his career with a record of 152-6, LeValley was a four-time CUSA national team member and two-time CUSA dual team member.

From Hugo, Colo., LeValley has had a long history with the sport. He began wrestling at the age of seven when his father took him to a wrestling practice. His love for the sport has continued ever since. Because of the distance from home, LeValley has developed close relationships with his teammates.

"They are like my family," LeValley said. "They have helped me through tough times and have been there in the good times."

The coaching staff has also provided LeValley's inspiration. He has credited them

with individual and team success.

"Coach Wirsberger is outstanding. He is motivational when he needs to be and critical when he needs to be. The assistant coaches Dave Hoffman and Dustin Manotti are there every day working with us. They communicate their passion for the sport and show us not only what we can be, but what we expect to be," LeValley said.

Even with the support of his teammates and coaches, the transition to college was initially a struggle for LeValley. He had to focus more on developing his study skills due to the demands of a rigorous academic and athletic load. But these kinds of decisions are what have gained the respect of his teammates and helped LeValley to be successful.

"Kevin is a natural leader," teammate Luke Chohany '10 said, "not an aggressive demanding one, but a leader by example. His actions are based on what he wants and not on what others are doing. Even with mundane tasks I think he does things differently simply to set himself apart from the group."

Tonight the team heads to New York, N.Y. to face off with Columbia. You can watch LeValley continue to set the standard on Feb. 8 when the Bison battle Lock Haven at home at 7:00 p.m.

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the locker room area.

"I was obviously concerned. It is a little bit scary. He is a tough guy though," said tri-captain Darren Mastropolo '08.

Lehigh Head Coach Brett Reed expressed his concern as well.

[Coach Flannery] is a

tremendous coach and a wonderful person," he said. "This is a game where you put so much heart and soul and passion into it. He is a warrior, and I'm sure he'll be okay."

The press release stated that Thursday was a previously scheduled day off from practice for the Orange and Blue.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday

WRESTLING - Columbia, 7 p.m., New York, N.Y.

Saturday

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Akron Open, TBA, Akron, Ohio

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIM AND DIVE - Navy Invitational, 12 p.m., Annapolis, Md.

WOMEN'S TENNIS - Duquesne, 1 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.

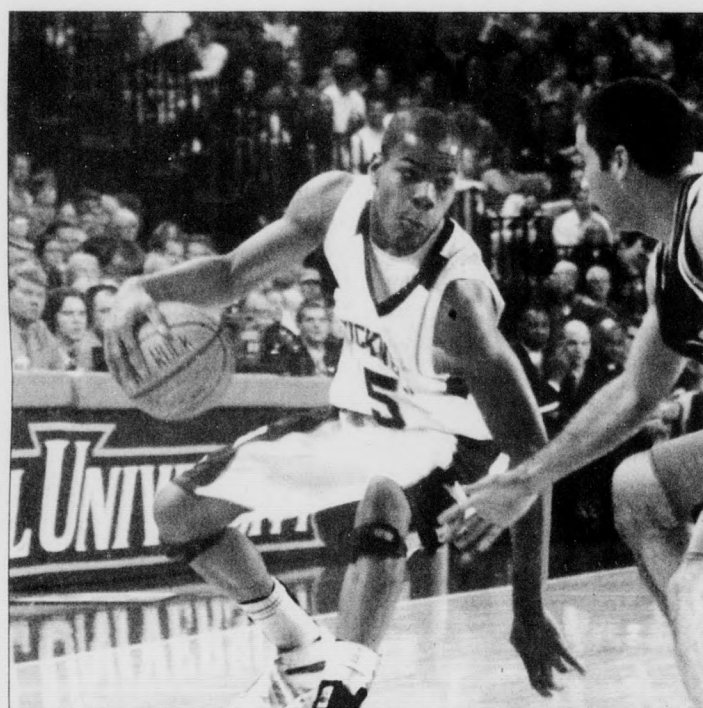
MEN'S TENNIS - Duquesne, 1 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.

Sunday

MEN'S BASKETBALL - Army, 12 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - Army, 1 p.m., West Point, N.Y.

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Stephen Tyree '10 looks to beat an opponent off the dribble. Tyree is averaging 26.8 minutes per game.

bench.

Returning to Sojka after a tough road loss at Lafayette, the Bison came out gunning against Colgate last Saturday night. From the opening tip to the clock's final tick, the Orange and Blue led the entire way in the 60-55 win, starting the game with a crowd-pleasing 23-0 run in the first half. The night also marked the return of Flannery to the bench, following his one-game suspension (served at Lafayette) for his conduct during the Jan. 18 game at Holy Cross.

The Bison opened up their huge first-half margin off a solid display of tenacious play on defense that led to explosive results on offense. Justin Castlederry '09, who had 22 points on the night to tie a career high,

started the scoring barrage with two big shots from behind the arc. Griffin and Stephen Tyree '10 hit several more buckets from the floor, followed by a Mastropolo score from the lane. Shazier and O'Brien gave great minutes of the bench, and also contributed to the scoring drive.

"Our offense is triggered by our defense," said Griffin. "As we got those big steps in the first half, it led to confidence on the other end of the court."

Although they put up some decent shots, the Raiders failed to make a basket until Colgate's Willie Morse knocked down two free throws nine minutes and 35 seconds into the game. The Bison forced 11 turnovers during the stretch.

By the end of the first half, the fire had simmered somewhat, and the Raiders had managed to cut the lead to 14, sending the Bison into halftime with a 39-25 lead.

Castlederry kicked off the second half as he did the first, knocking down a three pointer to put the Orange and Blue back up to 17. However, several three-point plays from Colgate and a handful of missed shots and turnovers from the Bison, found 11 minutes remaining on the clock and the Bison advantage down to just two.

"[Colgate] played hard all the way, and in the second half they forced us to rush on offense," Flannery said. "We were too ready to play offense than defense, and that's where they got to us."

The team regrouped on the following drive, as Castlederry hit a clutch shot from the paint to stop the bleeding. A nice dish by Griffin to fellow co-captain Thomas for a lay-up marked the end of the Raider threat, though they hung around until the final seconds.

"A lot of us older guys have been through games like these before," said Castlederry. "We worked together, and did a good job of weathering the storm."

With no timeouts remaining in the final minutes, the Raiders fouled after each possession, bringing the Bison to the line where they struggled to convert. With three seconds remaining in the game, Morse hit a desperation 3-pointer to cut the lead back to three. A quick inbound pass and a Griffin free throw shot sealed the game, giving the Orange and Blue the 65-61 victory.

"To respond to the loss at Lafayette in this manner, really shows the heart that this team has," Flannery said after the game. "What you try to be as a team is consistent in the fire."

The Bison return to action Sunday, hosting Army for a 12 p.m. game that will air on ESPN2, before starting a three-game road trip in Hamilton, N.Y. against Colgate on Wednesday.

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Super Bowl XLII

The Patriots make bid for perfect season and place in history against underdog New York Giants in Arizona

By JARED NAPOLITANO
Advertising Manager

"And that's why they play the game!" ESPN's lead football host Chris Berman uses this phrase all the time after his upsets in the NFL. Most often, football is becoming an unpredictable game because of the simple fact that one team does not have to be truly better than another to defeat them, but simply better on that one day.

Professional basketball, baseball and hockey all determine their champions through several series in the postseason, whereas an eventual NFL champion comes out of just 160 and 240 game time minutes.

I must contend this will be the most frustrating Super Bowl I have ever witnessed. Pitting a divisional rival, the New York Giants, and their goofy quarterback, Eli Manning, against the flawless New England Patriots, whose city already has three World Championships since 2001, Super Bowl XLII seems to have enough storylines to trump most of its predecessors.

Let's examine some of the major storylines leading up to this culmination of the football season, and then I will point out several intriguing parts of the game I am personally anticipating.

THE PERFECT RECORD

If any person became a superstar due to the Patriots 16-game winning streak, it must be former Miami Dolphins' running back, Mercury Morris. His boisterous attitude has graced every sports talk show in the country.

Going 16-0 in today's NFL is quite a feat, and the credit should be directed to the higher-ups in the Patriots' front office. Free agent and trade acquisitions such as Randy Moss, Wes Welker, Donte Stallworth, Adalius Thomas and Junior Seau reflect the team's commitment to fielding a superior team. But even more so, the Patriots' preference for more cerebral players who completely buy into a unified team philosophy and understand their appropriate roles is the core reason for their unprecedented success.

ELI "€\$%" MANNING

The last four years have seen Eli Manning become a proverbial punching bag for the entire Metropolitan area. With the large market, All-Pro big brother, a goofy look, idiosyncrasies and his Draft

Day fiasco all contributing to Manning's criticisms, Manning is apparently not as bad as every one has been saying. And now with Tiki Barber and Jeremy Shockey out of the picture, Eli has a more unified locker room and a playing set of teammates.

Playing mistake-free football and conquering the difficulties of playing on the road, Manning's maturation is, in some respect, even more advanced than that of the guy who does all those commercials. (His brother Peyton made his first Super Bowl at age 20; Manning is 27.) Manning is showing that one of the best parts of football is that every game is up for grabs.

THE PATRIOTS DYNASTY

The Super Bowl Trophy is named after perhaps the best motivator the game has ever seen. Lombardi's opponents knew the power sweep was coming, but his ability to inspire his players made up for their predictability. Now, over 40 years since Lombardi's second Super Bowl victory and fifth NFL Championship, Bill Belichick is on the verge of surpassing the great Lombardi's legacy. Four Super Bowl victories in seven years would be even more impressive than Chuck Knoll's Steelers of the 1970s (who won four Super Bowls in six years) because of the NFL's current dynamics. With more money and player

movement in the league, maintaining a dominant set of players is so much more difficult today.

But under the consistency of Belichick, Tom Brady and only a handful of other players, the "P.A.T." philosophy has worked. The level of preparation, attitude and teamwork has been unmatched by other NFL teams, and this is the crucial part of this dynasty.

MAJOR SPORTS MARKETS

Western sports writers often complain about the "East Coast Bias" that drives media coverage and attention. With two of the most historic and saturated sports areas being New York and Boston, the excitement for this Super Bowl will certainly trump that of the previous two championship contests. The quest for perfection alone will draw fresh viewers and the underdog nature of Eli Manning and Big Blue will certainly drive ratings past that of the last two years. Maybe if we're lucky, we'll see Red Sox and Yankee fans jawing throughout the game.

RELEASE THE HOUNDS

The Giants and Patriots were ranked No. 1 and No. 2 in the league this year in sacks. Doing this in different ways – the Giants with premiere rushers on the line and the Patriots sending safeties and linebackers – it will be interesting to see which quarterback stays on his feet longer and completes more passes in the pocket. Neither quarterback is very mobile, so whichever team camps out more often in the other's backfield would seem to have

AFC DOMINANCE

From 1981 to 1996, the NFC won 14 out of 16 Super Bowls. The Broncos debunked this trend with consecutive titles in 1998 and 1999 and the AFC won seven of the past 10 titles. While not quite the current dispari-

a great advantage.

HOT POTATO

Where the Giants lead in defense they fall behind offensively in passing. As if Eli did not have enough problems to deal with, his receivers have left him out to dry more often than any other set of pass catchers. With "tough-guy" Jeremy Shockey out and the building chemistry between Eli and Plaxico Burress, the Giants have two improvements over their poor early-season start. Amani Toomer and Brandon Jacobs have proved to be unreliable with their hands. But if the receiving core as a whole steps it up, it will provide valuable plays to extend drives and keep the Patriots' dynamic offense off the field.

Enough of the storylines. As an avid football fan, I'm looking for several in-game progressions and trends in this contest. I listed them below in hopes to invoke your attention during the game despite the distractions of hot wings, funny commercials and Joe Buck's smugness.

COOL HAND TOM

Several teams gave the Patriots a real run for their money in the second half of the season, namely the Eagles, the Ravens, the team with the MasterCard guy, these same New York Giants and even the New York Jets in sub-ideal conditions. However (think of a Stephen A. Smith "HOWEVA!"), the Patriots pulled out each game with methodical fourth-quarter poise and cogent offensive drives. The "A" in the PAT Philosophy that Belichick engenders stands for attitude, and evidently the Patriots believe they can win every game no matter

the current circumstance. Because of this, the Giants must realize every single play and decision is of utmost importance and impact.

WHAT'S THE SOLUTION?

The teams that had the Patriots most on the edge, in my opinion, were the Ravens and the Eagles.

Traditionally, their defenses are among the most complex, and potent in the past decade. The Eagles used their aggressive blitzing schemes and mixed in 3-4 formations to a traditional 4-3 base in addition to concentrating the secondary on top receiver Randy Moss.

The Ravens employed several disguised packages and controlled the clock with a five-minute possession advantage. Fortunately for the Pats, Wes Welker's availability in the flats and underneath against the Birds and the Ravens' tally of penalties enabled the Patriots to come out with wins.

The key is to keep the Patriots off the field as long as possible to wear down their offense because no secondary has covered their diverse and talented receivers. This is obviously done by controlling the clock via a successful running game and minimizing turnovers. With Jacobs and Ahmad Adshaw compromised, a balanced backfield, the Giants have the potential to run physically and evasively through the heart of the Patriots' defense.

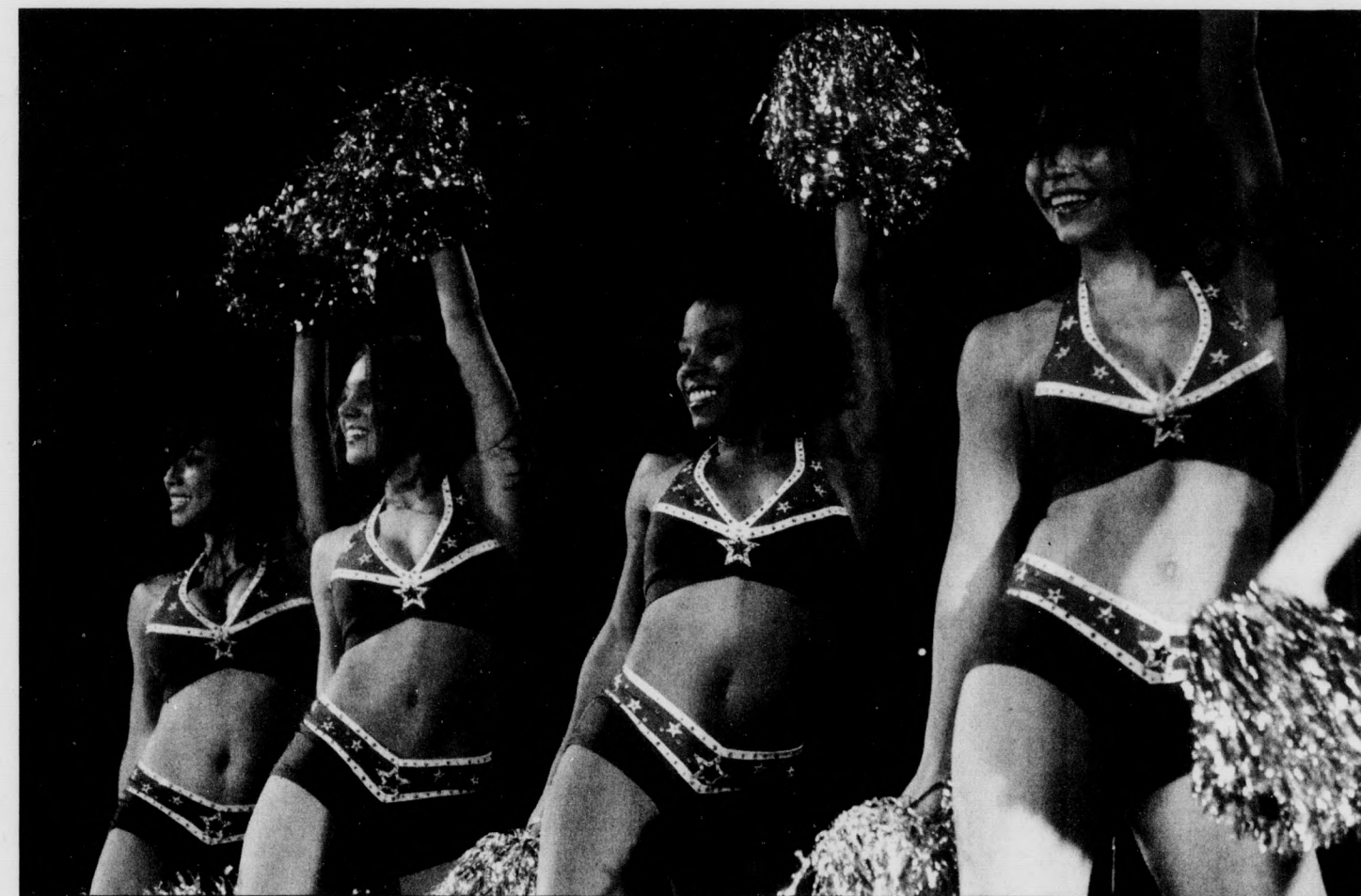
ROUND UP

As an opponent of the Giants, I cannot physically board the Big Blue bandwagon, but I have been picking them to win (as if hypothetically gambling was legal) each week of this postseason. Why? Because it's football! Anything can happen! The Dolphins won a game this year! No more proof needed.

So, in a season where ESPN sports writer Bill Simmons lost by 25 games in weekly picks to his wife who makes her choices based on whose mascot would stand up better in a fight, I am going with the Giants to squeeze out Sunday what they could not in Week 17.

At the very least, I would take them against a 12-point spread, but I'll be nuts enough to call for a 26-24 squeak-out by Eli and ruining Boston's parade (not unlike all those times the Yankees finished out the Sox's seasons).

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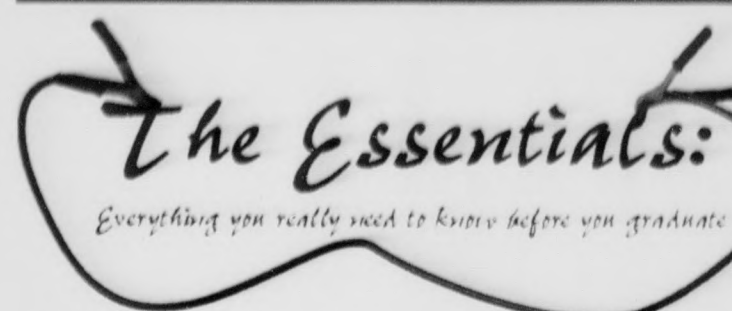
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By RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editor

At one point or another, you're going to be driving down the road, singing along to your new favorite song blasting from the radio, when Boosht! Flat tire.

After furiously cursing the highway gods for this maddening misfortune, you are going to have to pull over and figure out what to do next. Sure, there are plenty of phone numbers to call for help, but changing a tire is something everyone can and should know how to do.

When you get a flat tire, resist the urge to slam on the brakes because the flat can then cause your car to fishtail and possibly get into an accident.

Gently apply the breaks and slowly pull to the side of the road. Don't make any hard turns because this can pull the rubber completely off the tire and greatly damage your rims, making tire replacement impossible. Turn on your emergency flashers as soon as the tire pops, and leave them on while you work.

Make sure you pull off the road as far as possible, but remain visible to oncoming traffic. In order to change a tire, you need to park your car on a very flat surface. Any incline can be extremely problematic.

If you car has a manual transmission, leave it in gear, and in any case, make sure you set your parking brake.

Most cars are equipped with a spare tire, a jack and a lug wrench that will fit the lug nuts on your tires.

As a rule, it is good to

know what tools you have and where they are located in your car. Your owner's manual should tell you how to access them.

Look over the spare to make sure it's in good condition.

Take your jack, wrench and spare tire to the tire that needs

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replacing. Start off by loosening each lug nut about half-way, but do not remove them completely. You may need to remove a hubcap or lug nut caps first.

If the lug nuts don't want to budge, try standing on the arm of the wrench while it's on the lug nut to take advantage of your full body weight.

If your wheels have locking lug nuts, make sure you know where the lug key is and that it's handy when you need it.

When it comes to jacking up your car, different makes and models have different locations where the jack should be placed. Once again, consult your owner's manual to know the requirements for your car so the placement of the jack will not crack your frame.

When you return to the original lug nut, use about 45 lbs. of your own weight to tighten each lug nut completely. If you put too much pressure on them, there's a small chance you can snap the bolts, so don't use your full body weight.

You have just changed a tire! Now clean up, get back in your car, and get on your way. Spare tires are not meant to stay on your car for long periods of time or for use at more than 50 mph, so get where you need to go slowly and safely and then schedule an appointment to get your car outfitted

How to change a tire

(and all the things you should keep in your car at all times)

Secure your jack in position, and jack up the car about six inches off the ground.

Next completely remove the lug nuts, and DO NOT lose any—keep them in a pile close by where they won't get strewn about or knocked into the road. ("A Christmas Story" anyone?)

In order to remove the tire from the wheelbase, pull it straight out towards you. To place the spare, align the lug nut posts with the holes in the spare tire and push the tire all the way onto the wheelbase. Begin tightening each lug nut equally until the tire is snug. Lower the car back to the ground with the jack and remove the jack from under the car.

Once the car is on the ground, begin to tighten each lug nut equal amounts to keep the tire balanced. Start with one, and rather than moving in a circle, tighten the lug nut opposite the circle from the one you started with. Continue this pattern of cross-tightening the lug nuts.

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with a new tire. If the old tire only has a puncture wound, your mechanic may even be able to repair it.

A few things to keep in mind: If it's late at night or you are in a bad area, especially if you are female, call for help instead of trying to fix a tire yourself. You never know who might pull over and try to "help you," and it's better to be safe than sorry.

You can reach AAA Roadside Assistance 24 hours a day at 1-800-AAA-HELP.

In the case of minor punctured tires, it wouldn't hurt to have a can of Fix-a-Flat spray foam or a similar product that may be able to fill pin-size holes, or larger punctures at least until you can reach an exit or a gas station to change the tire.

The car simply hooks onto the tire air valve and fills your tire with air and foam that will fill any tiny holes. These products come with full instructions on their labels.

Along with items that can help you fix a tire, there are a few other things that you should always keep in your car just in case.

Jumpers cables are always a good idea in case you accidentally leave the lights on or a friend's car needs a jump. You don't want to be stuck somewhere with a dead car and no cables. You can find out exactly how to jump your car in your owner's manual as well.

Keep a gallon of water in your trunk to pour in your radiator if your car overheats, especially on long trips. This will help your engine cool. DO NOT pour the water over your



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Make sure your car is equipped with a spare tire, jack and lug wrench. Changing a flat tire may seem a daunting task, but with these instructions, you'll be able to get the job done and get back on the road again.

engine. The drastic change in temperature could potentially crack the whole thing.

Make sure you have a flashlight in your car because you'll be in desperate need of one with any nighttime car troubles. It's also a good idea to keep some reflectors or flares in your trunk that you can put out to warn other cars that you're parked on the side of the road.

Keep a pen and pad of paper in your glove box, and consider keeping a disposable camera with them. This way you will be able to write down any information needed if you get into an accident, and take pictures of the scene or any damage to your car for proof

later.

A basic first-aid kit can also be helpful in case of small cuts and so on. And it never hurts to have extra band-aids in your car.

Another item that can be crucial is a 2-in-1 Glass Breaker and Seatbelt cutter. In case of a severe car crash, this device can save your life by giving you a quick exit route from your vehicle.

With these tips you'll be fairly well set for anything the road throws at you. Just double check that your windshield wiper fluid is full and you have had a recent oil change before long trips. And do not forget to bring some good tunes along for the ride.

Recipes for a football feast Super Bowl Sunday

By SARA ROTH AND RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editors

We here at *The Bucknellian* love the Super Bowl. The game, the commercials, the carbonated beverages—however, what we don't love are generic greasy chips, dips from a can and chili even your dog would be hesitant about. Luckily, we have quick, easy ways to add gourmet to your standard Super Bowl fare.

Homemade Tortilla Chips

These chips are super easy to make, and taste gourmet.

1 12-count bag corn Tortillas
Vegetable oil
Salt

Lightly brush whole tortillas with vegetable oil. Using a pizza cutter, pile 4 tortillas and cut into 8 wedges like a pizza. Repeat with the remaining tortillas.

Spread wedges on a cookie sheet, sprinkle salt over chips.
Bake at 400 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes, or until golden brown and crispy.

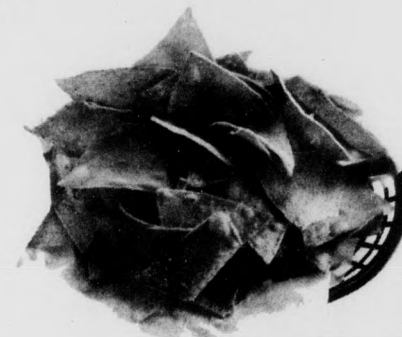


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Spinach and Artichoke Dip

1 10-ounce package frozen chopped spinach
2 cans artichoke hearts in brine
1/2 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cup sour cream
1 cup freshly grated Parmesan
1 clove garlic, minced
1/2 cup grated pepper jack cheese

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease a casserole dish with nonstick spray. Heat the spinach in a microwave oven on high for 5 minutes and squeeze dry. Drain the artichoke hearts and coarsely chop. Combine all ingredients except jack cheese and stir in large bowl. Scrape into prepared casserole dish and sprinkle jack cheese on top. Bake for 30 minutes. Let cool.

30 Minute Chili

Active time: 10 minutes; Start to finish: 30 minutes. Servings: Makes four to six servings.

3 tablespoons olive oil
2-pound ground beef chuck
1 to 1 1/2 tablespoons chili powder
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1 tablespoon minced garlic
1 onion, chopped
1 green pepper, chopped
2 16-ounce jars roasted tomato salsa such as Frontera brand
1 15-ounce can red kidney beans, drained and rinsed (1 2/3 cups)

Accompaniments: shredded cheddar, sour cream, tortilla chips

Preparation

Heat oil in a deep 12-inch heavy skillet over high heat until it is very hot but not smoking. Cook beef, chili powder (to taste), cumin, salt, pepper and garlic. Stir occasionally until meat is no longer pink (some clumps will remain) for about 2 minutes. Add onions and peppers and salsa and allow to cook, stirring occasionally, for 20 minutes. Mix in beans and simmer for 2 minutes.

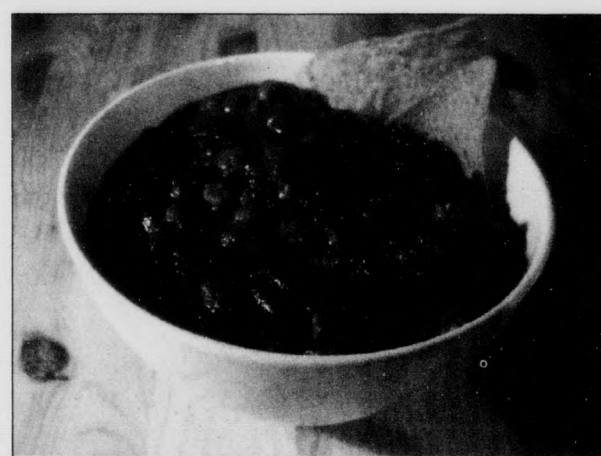


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Taco Dip

Cream cheese
1 can beanless Hormel Chili
Shredded cheddar cheese

Layer cream cheese on bottom of pie pan and cover with chili. Cover top with shredded cheese. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

Places to gather for the big game

TRACY LUM
Writer

Avid football fans and resolute non-sports types all flock to the television screen when the Super Bowl comes around. This Sunday, where will you be watching? Here are some places to catch every touchdown, amazing play, and tackle.

Damon's Grill

If you have adequate transportation, Damon's Grill can be a wonderful location for you to get into the hype of the game. With large television screens, a room full of enthusiastic fans and a tantalizing menu, Damon's Grill is sure to provide an ideal atmosphere for watching the Super Bowl.

The Bull Run Inn

The Bull Run Inn is a bit more accessible to students with no means of transportation.

With a 50-inch television, the restaurant can provide an ideal viewing environment. The delicious food will keep your palate satisfied during and long after the exciting and grueling game. (See page B8 for a full review of the Bull Run Inn.)

The Town Tavern

Right across from the Bull Run Inn is the Town Tavern, which will also be showing the game on multiple televisions. The tavern will be offering beer specials and giveaways, as well as free finger-food for its patrons.

Watson Inn

If you're feeling more adventurous, check out the Watson Inn in Watsonstown, Pa. Starting at 5 p.m., the Watson Inn will be throwing a Super Bowl party, complete with a complimentary buffet and prizes. In addition, the dining facility has three large screen televisions that will provide an optimal viewing experience.

Swartz Hall Lounge

If you'd rather stay at the University, try some of the Super Bowl watching parties on campus. The Swartz Residence Hall Association is hosting a Super Bowl party Sunday starting at 5:30 p.m. With lots of free food, including pizza and wings, the event will be, at the very least, exciting for your taste buds. Friends from other buildings are welcome to view the game on a projection screen.

Hall Lounges

If none of these options appeal to you, your hall lounge could be the perfect location to enjoy the Super Bowl festivities.

Bond with your hall-mates, order some Dominos and experience the thrill of the sport. Hall lounges are the ideal spot to have a more personal and intimate appreciation of the game.

Whether you want to drive far, walk a bit, or just lounge around, there are plenty of places where you can watch the game, be awed by the commercials, and satisfy your craving for those delicious Super Bowl foods.

between first-years and upperclassmen in our building, we are hoping that this event will bring many of the members of our living community together," Jennifer Shukusky '11 said. Shukusky, an RHA delegate, hopes that 50 to 75 people will attend the event, which will occur in the main lounge. "Also, by opening this event up to the friends of our hall-mates, we hope to increase the attendance," Shukusky added.

"Personally, I have always enjoyed football," Shukusky said. "But I will admit to paying more attention to the commercials during the Super Bowl." Even people who do not enjoy the game are encouraged to at least stop by and watch the commercials during this event.

Theta Chi is teaming up with CHOICE and hosting a Super Bowl party.

"CHOICE approached us near the end of last semester and asked if we would co-host a Super Bowl party at our house due to the success of our event last year," Nick Stabile '08 said.

"We're always looking for opportunities to network with and get to know other groups on campus, so we figured it would be a good opportunity."

Expecting about 125 people to attend, the brothers of Theta Chi are planning to serve a lot of food.

"A lot of people are excited for this game because it could either make or break the Patriots' record-setting perfect season," Theta Chi brother Rich LaFredo '09 said. "The Giants gave the Patriots a run for their money in the final game of the season, and I'm excited about the fierce rematch."

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Sara Roth contributed to this article.

Community helps student find pet

By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

Ashley Drake '08 found herself on a wild goose chase last Saturday. Her cat Coby was nowhere to be found in her downtown house or yard.

"Right away my housemate and I searched the neighborhood calling for him," Drake said.

For the next three days, Drake spent hours searching for Coby.

Students and community residents often don't know what to do when a pet is missing, but methods besides searching and calling for it outside can speed up the process.

Drake turned to Christine Fry, Academic Assistant to the Department of Theater and Dance, and animal rescuer.

"Chris informed me of places to call and leave my information and informed many other animal rescue workers about my situation," Drake said.

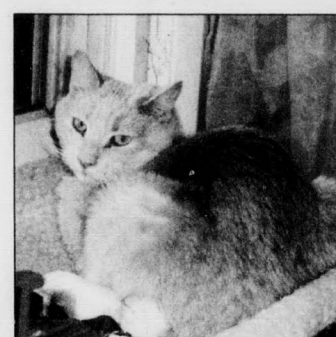
Fry suggested contacting local vets to let them know Coby was missing in case someone called to say they found a cat. She also included the cat's picture in an e-mail to friends involved in animal rescue.

"The word got out to a lot of people that Coby was missing. The more people who know, the better the chance of finding a pet," Fry said.

Fry also suggested setting up an animal rescue trap that could catch Coby but not harm him.

She said she has never lost a pet before, but would do exactly what she advised Drake to do.

"I would call the SPCA [Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals] to alert



Courtesy of Ashley Drake

Coby the cat rests at the home of Ashley Drake '08. Missing for three days, Drake found him under a neighbor's porch.

them as well, but Ashley had already done this," Fry said.

Drake also made and put up fliers, called in ads to two local papers and created a Facebook group to let friends know Coby was missing.

"I was so upset and felt like an awful pet owner when he went missing," she said.

Drake then sprinkled her backyard with cat food and cat nip in case Coby would be attracted to the smells and come back. Later that day, she found him.

"I heard the bell on his collar and saw his ear poking out from underneath the neighbor's porch. We had looked there so many times before," said Drake.

She still isn't sure how Coby got outside, but suspects a friend may have assumed he was an outdoor cat and opened the door for him.

Fry suggested treating any found pet for fleas, ear mites and worms, especially before allowing them around other cats, no matter how long they were missing.

Drake is ecstatic to have Coby back.

"Finding him was just so amazing," Drake said. "It is probably what people feel when they win the lottery."

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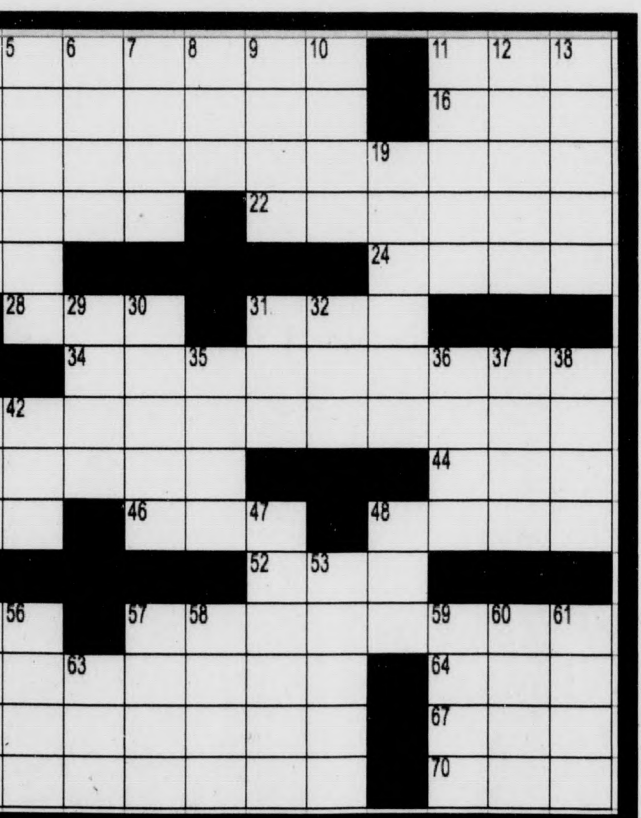
The Bucknellian Crossword

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- Attack
- That girl
- Cain raiser
- Grassland
- Pale
- Heavy weight
- Spokesperson
- African grazer
- Hunger (for)
- Like JFK or LBJ
- Winter toy
- Mouth off to
- Plea at sea
- Triangular sail
- Giant slugger Mel
- Idiotic
- Legendary site
- Seeks riches
- Chinese "Way"
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- Walker, briefly
- Tennis great Arthur
- Boy often banned from libraries
- "Much _ About Nothing"
- Coddess of Wisdom
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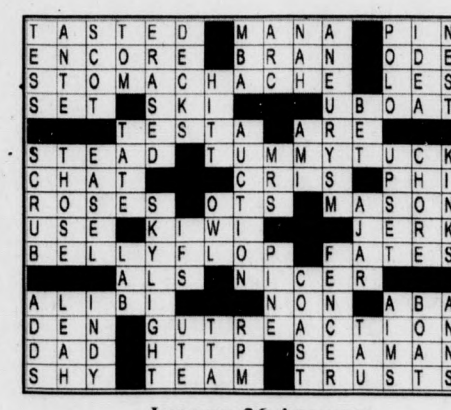
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- Shocked reaction
- Religious custom
- Before, of yore
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- Splinter group
- Combine flavors on an ice cream cone
- Bisect
- Shut down
- Playskool's parent
- McBain and McMahon
- Couch
- Proton's place
- Concert souvenir
- Stew of this and that
- Dawn
- PB brand
- Some staves
- Two tablets, maybe
- Ballpark figure
- Jazz home
- Loafer, e.g.
- A fifth of a quarter
- Sum, for short
- en-Provence
- Patron saint of physicians
- Oneness (Gaelic)
- Custom
- Practical
- Actress Sevigny
- "We _ Start The Fire" (Joel



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BULL RUN INN SATISFIES

The downtown eatery offers up tasty beverages and treats for game day or an evening out with friends



Pictured are the Bull Dip, and four flavors of wings: garlic and herb, Caribbean jerk, raspberry barbecue, and hot. The wings were served with ranch dressing, blue cheese dressing, and celery sticks.

By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

With the dreary winter weather and classes getting more intense, most students seem to rely on the LC to provide all of their dining needs. Having little time myself to eat between classes, I usually end up grabbing whatever I can in the Bison. However, finding myself with a free Sunday, I decided to take a break from the wrap station and venture downtown.

With the Super Bowl just days away, my friend and I headed to the Bull Run Inn. Being a Friday night regular, I know the Bull Run is good for a beer and a game of pool.

Yet I haven't eaten there since Mike Purcell, former Housing Director at the University, bought the restaurant. My friend and I decided to see if the food and beer were Super Bowl-worthy.

We arrived at 6 p.m. with the dinner crowd starting to fill in. My friend and I sat at a well-lit booth and perused the beer menu.

The Bull Run has a fair amount of beer on tap, but a

truly impressive list of bottled beer.

We decided on the Hoegaarden White (4.95), Omegang Abbey Ale (5.25) and the Akson—Old Peculiar (\$6).

The Hoegaarden was a Belgian White Ale that was lightly carbonated and slightly lemony, a perfect example

With excellent beer and pub food done right, the Bull Run Inn is the perfect antidote to a dreary winter evening.

of what a Belgian White should taste like.

The Omegang was a full-bodied, deep amber ale with a slight molasses flavor and my friend's favorite.

Last was the Old Peculiar, my personal favorite. It looked like a stout—very dark in color. However, it was surprisingly light and slightly sweet, with just a hint of hops.

The perfect accompaniment to our fine beers was, of course, the chicken wings. At

\$7.29 a dozen, the Bull Run offers 12 different types of wings, and we decided to try four: the hot wings, Caribbean jerk, garlic and herb, and raspberry barbecue.

Although they may seem easy enough, there are many factors that go into making perfect wings.

The Bull Run's wings

were excellent. Perfectly breaded and fried, they were crispy and hot, but not too greasy.

The Caribbean jerk was sweet and salty, and the hot wings were just hot enough—we didn't need to ask for extra water. I would have welcomed more flavor in the jerk and herb wings, but my friend said they were perfect with the ranch sauce. Our

unanimous favorite was the raspberry barbecue flavor, which were the perfect blend

of the two flavors and just sweet enough.

The only problem was that we were only given one napkin each, which was definitely not enough.

Other types of wings offered include mild, barbecue, honey barbecue, ranch, old bay, lemon pepper, sweet chili and teriyaki.

We also decided to try the Bull Dip (\$7.49), to make sure it was as good as we remembered. A blend of garden vegetables, spinach, garlic and sour cream topped with cheddar, it was creamy and even better than expected. The soft garlic pita chips served with it were perfect for dipping.

The Bull Run offers a full menu, with choices ranging from a London Broil steak salad to a ranch and bacon chicken wrap. They also offer desserts, but our stomachs insisted on a rain check.

All in all, the Bull Run Inn would make a great place to enjoy the Super Bowl, or just an evening out with friends. With excellent beer and pub food done right, it's the perfect antidote to a dreary winter evening.

Bull Run Inn Superbowl Menu

Roasted Peanuts \$3/ lb.

Soft Pretzels \$.75

Bison Strips \$3.50

Basket of Chips with Jalapeno Cheese \$2.99

Miller Lite Bottles \$2.00



Diners enjoy an evening meal at the Bull Run Inn. The Bull Run will be featuring a special menu for the Super Bowl.

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Feel the Love

Valentine's Day is upon us, so check out creative ideas to spice up the holiday whether you're single or taken.

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Housing limited by 2013

By CARLY WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

The University is developing a plan to limit off-campus housing to 200 students. There are currently not enough residential halls to implement such a plan, but that will most likely change by the year 2013.

"This is definitely a long-term plan. The reduction in the number of students living off campus won't happen until we have new buildings, and it will be a minimum of two years before anything can be constructed," Dean of Students Susan Hopp said. "It will be a gradual reduction as we build what's needed."

In 1998, the Board of Trustees stated intentions to bring more students back on campus by the year 2013.

"Our number one concern is for Bucknell to remain true to its residential mission," Hopp said.

The plan is to reduce less than half the number of students who are able to live off campus.

"The number [of students living off campus] varies. The initial mark to consider has been 365," said Dan Remley, assistant dean of students and director of Housing and Residential Life.

The root of the planned change lies in the University's concerns for students living off campus.

"The safety of students is very important to the administration and the Board. The Board was worried about students living in unsafe houses," Hopp said. Concerns for students living off-campus were raised initially following two instances of students being killed in fires at off-campus fraternity houses at Bloomsburg University. Five students died in a fire in 1994, and three more were killed in a fire in 2000.

The plan will also focus on providing more independent living choices for upperclassmen, such as more apartment-style housing.

According to Hopp, there are plans for assembling a task force

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Religion influences voters, panel says

By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

A person's religion often has an impact on what political candidate they vote for, said the executive director for Americans United for Separation of Church and State in a panel discussion Wednesday night.

Rev. Barry Lynn joined three other panelists and a moderator in "Religion and Politics in America," the second event this semester of the Citizen and Politics in America University forum series.

"I think there's a significant amount of evidence that people of a particular religion or viewpoint base their choice for a candidate with values of their own," Lynn said when asked if religious identity impacts how voters approach elections.

Panelist Dr. Richard Land, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission, agreed, but added it can depend on how religious the person is.

"Religious identity can [have], and often has, an impact, but it depends on if the person has inherited that religion or chosen it and how much of an impact it has on their lives," he said.

Lynn pointed out that it shouldn't be surprising people involved in religion are also actively engaged in electoral matters and voting, likening them to high school students

involved in many activities.

He went on to say while people are electing for a secular government that serves no religious function, it doesn't mean candidates cannot talk about religion.

"But I don't think such evidence [of a strong religious background] translates to sound decisions as president," he said, citing President Bush's decision that waterboarding, which simulates drowning and is a form of interrogation, is not torture.

When asked about voters' appetite for candidates to express religious beliefs, panelist Dr. Luis Lugo, director of The Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, said Americans say they don't hear enough about the topic from candidates.

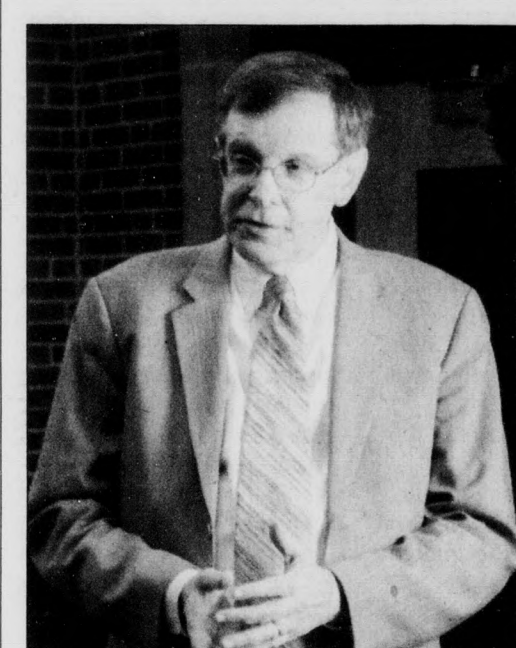
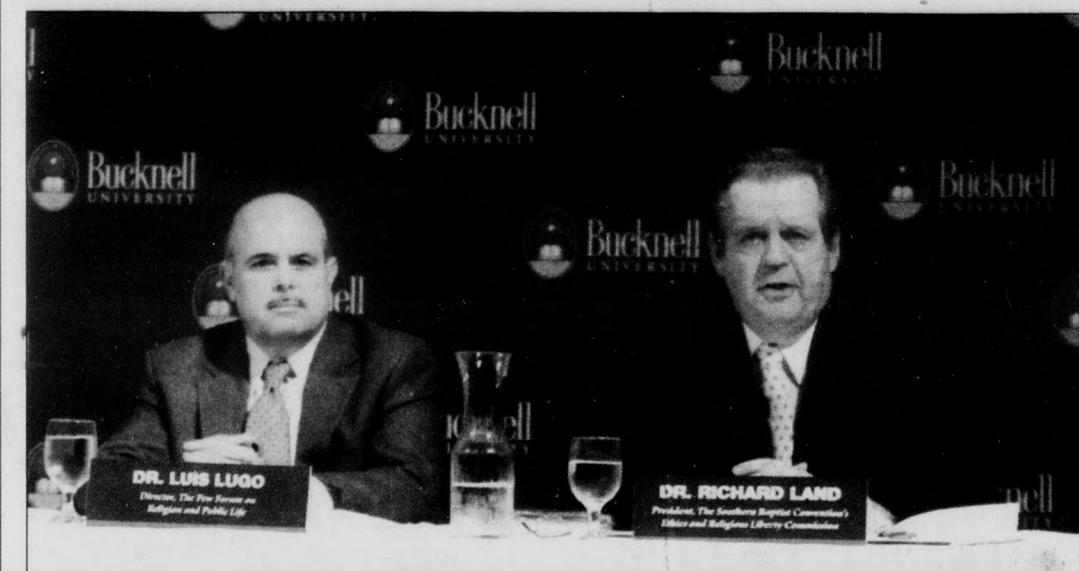
"While many Americans think after campaigns they heard the right amount of candidates' religious beliefs, 40 percent said it was not enough," Lugo said.

However, he said they do draw the line when it comes to formal religious leaders supporting candidates and that it undermines the vitality of religion.

Lynn said candidates are more open today about the religious views because they are more comfortable talking about it.

"Barack is talking about religion, but John Kerry probably was not as comfortable talking

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Panelists Luis Lugo, Richard Land, Rev. Barry Lynn (left) and Obery Hendricks (right) discuss the impact of religion on the presidential election. Their discussion, "Religion and Politics in America," was the second-semester event for the Bucknell Forum.

University criticized for lack of diversity

By BETHANY LAVINS
Staff Writer

One of the two research projects conducted by Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc. in 2007 said the most common criticism from interviewees was the University's lack of diversity. The report said this denies students and faculty of "fresh perspectives that can challenge beliefs, energize interactions and stimulate greater understanding." The study found this was exacerbated by the University's isolation or the phenomenon known as "Bucknell Bubble."

This led the University to commission Peter D. Hart Research Associates to inform the University on how best to attract future students, position itself as one of the nation's "Premier institutions of learning" and attract financial support for the "Plan for Bucknell."

The first survey, conducted in June, found differing opinions between development and alumni relations staff, Board members and alumni over the University's strengths and weaknesses.

Summer 2006 discussions between Chief Communications Officer Pete Mackey, President Brian C. Mitchell, alumni, Board of Trustees members, parents and staff said, "Bucknell's reputation did not match its academic excellence."

Students at the University recognize the campus uniformity.

"I think that Bucknell's lack of diversity is sad," Kristine Bachman '10 said. "Learning with so many people with similar backgrounds and perspectives as ours won't help us learn to live in a very diverse world."

Hart research conducted in fall 2007 among prospective students said the most important

Board members and leaders in higher education.

According to that report 48 percent of interviewed alumni said the University was only for "a certain type of high school senior."

In the second report, based on research among admissions prospects, a Rockville perspective student said, "I think socioeconomic[ly] it's very homogeneous... in terms of minorities on campus... I felt like I didn't see very many of them."

Respondents also noted a

"lack of Jewish community" and a "WASP-y feel."

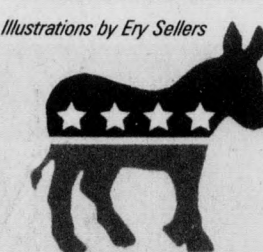
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Illustrations by Ery Sellers



Super Tuesday 2008

Candidates fought for delegates in 24 primaries and caucuses



Super Tuesday Primary Results

Democrats:

Clinton won majorities in Arizona, Arkansas, California, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma and Tennessee. Obama won majorities in Alabama, Alaska, Connecticut, Colorado, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota and Utah.

Republicans:

McCain won majorities in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, New Jersey, New York, Missouri and Oklahoma. Romney won majorities in Alaska, Colorado, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and Utah. Huckabee won majorities in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Tennessee and West Virginia.

BY ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL-FERRARI
Staff Writer

Super Tuesday results proved the Republican's strong support of Sen. John McCain and exposed a division in the Democratic Party.

Coming into Super Tuesday, Hillary Clinton led Barack Obama with 251 delegates to his 190, having won in Florida, Michigan, New Hampshire and Nevada. John McCain led both Mitt Romney and Mike Huckabee with 93 delegates to Romney's 77 and Huckabee's 40, having won Florida, New Hampshire and

South Carolina. Analysts predicted Super Tuesday would confirm the nominee for the Republican Party but leave the race open for Democratic nominees.

"On the Republican side, we will most likely know the nominee," said Scott Meinke, assistant professor of political science. "However, the election could be unresolved for the [Democrats] going into April."

Lauren Perez '09, a political science major, also saw that the results of Super Tuesday could maintain the battle between

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Election 2008:

What students are saying

By ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL-FERRARI
Staff Writer

After Super Tuesday, one of the major days in the presidential primaries, Bucknellians from both parties have varying opinions on the current progress. Despite living in "the Bubble," some students manage to stay updated on the ever-changing political scene.

Some students think McCain represents the strongest candidate for the Republican Party. "He has proven himself as a national war hero and a symbol of government reform both regarding national security and immi-

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OPINIONS



Should our career-minded campus be more focused on academic pursuits?

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A&E reviews a memoir that recounts experiences growing up in the 1970s in one of Boston's worst neighborhoods.

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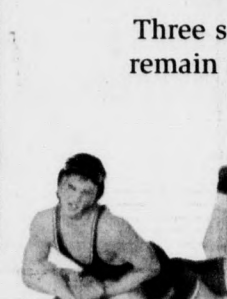
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Henna Wang '10 shares her experiences from her summer abroad in Burkina Faso.

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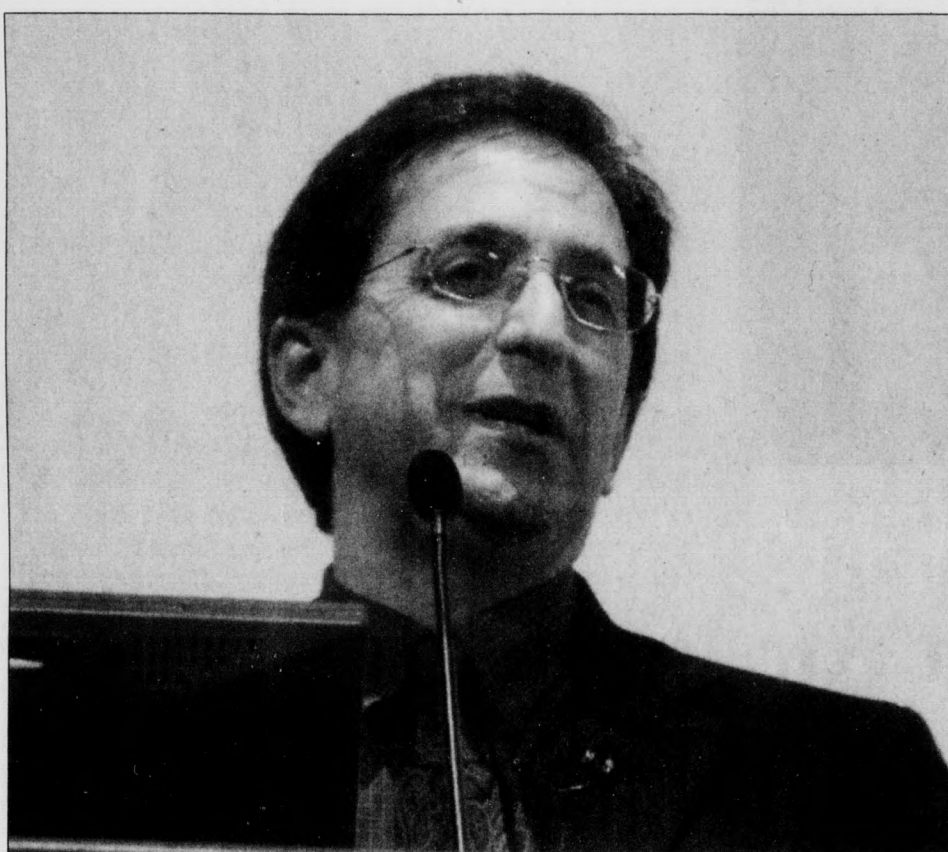
Three sophomore wrestlers remain undefeated in EIWA wrestling.

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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, Jan. 30	West: Unknown cause.	POLICE—Public Safety: Assist Lewisburg Police Department.	Monday, Feb. 4
ALARM / TROUBLE—O'Leary Building: Alarm malfunction.	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	DISTURBANCE—Gateway Malesardi: Warning issued.	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION—Vedder Hall: Underage consumption of alcohol.
ALARM / TROUBLE—Phi Kappa Psi: Unknown cause.	Friday, Feb. 1	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	WELFARE CHECK—Kress Hall: Student located.
ALARM / TROUBLE—Phi Kappa Psi: Detector malfunction.	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Recycling Shed: Warning issued.	THEFT—Phi Kappa Psi: Under investigation.	WELFARE CHECK—Smith Hall: Student located.
EMS TRANSPORT—Sojka Pavilion: Transport for treatment.	ALARM / FIRE—Silberman Hall: Caused by cooking.	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	PROPERTY/ FOUND—Spratt House: Recovered property.
Thursday, Jan. 31	WELFARE CHECK—Swartz Hall: Unfounded.	ALARM / FIRE—Carey House: Caused by cooking.	WELFARE CHECK—Swartz Hall: Student located.
ASSIST OTHER AGENCY—Hunt Hall: Assisted Lewisburg Police Department.	Saturday, Feb. 2	Sunday, Feb. 3	VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Moore Ave Lot: Under investigation.
LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION—Langone Center: Judicial Referral.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Larison Hall: Under investigation.	MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Davis U: EMS transport provided.	ALARM / INTRUSION—Computer Center: Unknown cause.
DISTURBANCE—Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Warning issued.	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	ALARM / TROUBLE—Larison Hall: Alarm malfunction.	Tuesday, Feb. 5
ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell	ASSIST OTHER AGENCY /		ALARM / FIRE—McDonnell Hall: Detector malfunction.

New York Times reporter caps teach-in



Alexandra Kutner—The Bucknellian

Andrew Revkin discusses various new approaches to improving the quality and status of the environment last Thursday. He was the keynote speaker for the nationwide teach-in, "Focus the Nation."

By ABHAY AGARWAL
Staff Writer

New York Times journalist Andrew Revkin questioned our ability to grow out of puberty and begin taking responsibility for the consequences of global warming at his talk on Thursday, Jan. 31 in Trout Auditorium. His presentation concluded "Focus the Nation," a nationwide teach-in designed to spread awareness about climate change. Revkin has reported on diverse environmental events, including the destruction of Amazon rain forests, Hurricane Katrina, the Asian Tsunami and other issues that pertain to global warming.

"Nature is complicated, and there are lots of valleys and peaks," Revkin said. He added that many theories regarding global warming are often contested by scientists and researchers.

"But uncertainty is not a reason to

relax," Revkin said. According to Revkin, certain facts cannot be discounted. The rise of carbon dioxide in the air we breathe is leading to higher temperatures. Higher temperatures are causing the ice at the North Pole to melt and sea levels to rise.

Revkin also said that there needs to be coordinated international efforts in order to combat global warming. Countries need to bring their resources and technology together to achieve one goal.

He discussed the impermanence of fossil fuels.

"It is not a classified secret that coal and oil are temporary and industry cannot be counted upon to take positive steps," he said. He pointed to the government as an important mediator in implementing new energy guidelines and research.

Revkin showed a New York Times

article from over a century ago that discussed climate change and global warming. By following the history of climate change as it has been reported, he noticed that the basic concerns stayed the same, but were only accentuated recently.

Overpopulation is a big part of the problem.

"It's not just about how many people, but how many people and how much stuff," he said, emphasizing the limited resources that exist on the planet.

Revkin talked about the controversial relationship between print media and politics. He said that lobbyists play a more important role than often perceived in what gets printed and displayed to the public. He also argued that science has an inherent uncertainty, often exploited by society and the media.

Revkin also shared several images from his expeditions to the North Pole with other scientists from around the world.

He emphasized the importance of conveying the right information to readers, and that the government needs to spend more money on research and development in energy.

Students were impressed with Revkin's experience.

"He has seen some of these changes first hand and it was these personal accounts that really drove the point home for me," Alison Schaffer '08 said.

Revkin has been writing for the New York Times for over a decade. He is the author of "The Burning Season" and "The North Pole Was Here." Apart from being a reporter and writer, Revkin is also a performing songwriter and multi-instrumentalist who often accompanies Pete Seeger at regional shows and plays in a folk-roots band, "Uncle Wade."

"Focus the Nation" leaders felt the talk was a perfect end to the teach-in.

"[Bucknellians] will have a part to play in addressing this quest, in helping our country and our world move away from a fossil-fuel-based global economy toward an economy that provides a just and sustainable future for generations to come," Jess Scott '08, one of the student coordinators for "Focus the Nation," said.

Survey identifies campus weaknesses

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aspects of a student's college experience is "having a good academic and intellectual experience."

Academically minded students are "slightly less interested" in the University than career or future oriented students.

The survey claimed to attract more "academically minded students."

Alumni felt that there were uneven career resources available to different majors, especially with the liberal arts majors. Some staff and Board

members felt the University needed higher caliber faculty with more energy and leadership.

Several of the college presidents also felt that the University's problematic history with its Board of Trustees has damaged its legacy.

There were also conflicting views on whether the University was a "first" or "second" tier university, paired with the belief that it could improve.

To read about the University's plans for improvement, please see "Study finds University students less scholarly" on A3.

Religion and politics discussed in Forum

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about faith or Al Gore," he said.

Panelist Dr. Obery Hendricks, professor of biblical interpretation at the New York Theological Seminary, said Barak is open about his religion because it's been a part of him for so long. Because he is open about it, he's raised consciousness about candidate's discussing their religious views, Hendricks said.

But while voters and the media are interested in asking questions about candidates' religious views, Lynn said they are asking the wrong questions.

"Rather than asking how often they go to church, they

should ask, 'what, if any, role would your religious beliefs play in policy making?'" he said.

Victoria Dudley '11, who attended the lecture as a class requirement, said the panel raised questions about religion and politics she had not considered before.

Andrew Kummer '08 admitted the panel brought up important issues, but may have been focusing on competing with the other panelists on points they made.

"I thought that the four panelists may have prioritized making their points at the detriment of their opponents," he said, "rather than being more academic in their approach."

Off-campus cuts call for new housing options

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to discuss how buildings are to be designed and built. Designing new dormitories will inevitably require student input.

She said, "The committee will welcome one or two students."

"This process will be exciting... We want to dream for the best possible community," Hopp said.

Students support the plan as long as it does not result in further overcrowding on campus.

"It's fine if they want to limit home off-campus housing after they build new dorms. But right now it's getting a lot harder to live downtown, which doesn't seem right," Sara Jenks '10 said.

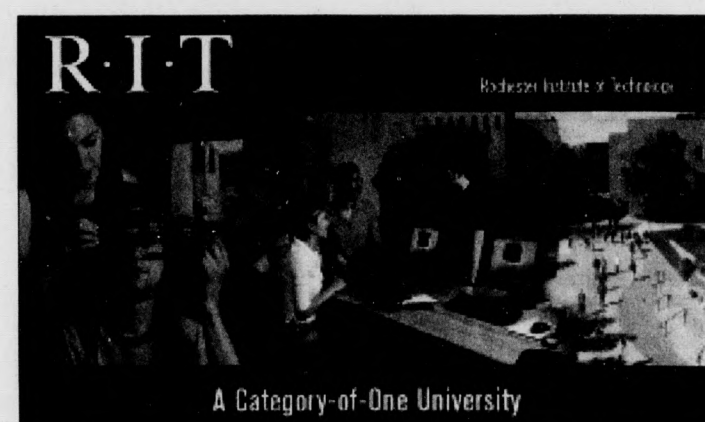
"The limitations should only

be set forth once new housing is not only under construction, but completed. Until then, we pay way too much to live in standard housing," Claudia Berman '10, who lived in Swartz her freshman year and a 10-person mod this year, said. "I understand that school will have to expand eventually. It's just unfortunate that we might have to hear the noise from the construction without reaping the benefits."

The town seems happy with the proposed changes.

"The plan is supported by the Lewisburg community and at the Town-Gown meeting. We will be looking at what makes for a good mix on the blocks adjacent to campus," Hopp said.

The result of these deliberations is yet to be seen.



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McCain reigns, Democrats still split

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Clinton and Obama in upcoming months.

"If the votes are split, then the race will continue," she said. "Senator Clinton would probably need a large win to overcome Senator Obama's momentum in the long run, but a small win for either of them would probably leave the race open, at least for a little longer."

How the different political parties divvy up their delegates has played a role in the relatively early conclusion to one party's battle for the nomination and the prolonging of another's.

"Democrats have more proportional states and Republicans have more winner-take-all states, which, in effect, means that the Democratic nomination process will probably go on longer into the spring, and the Republican nomination could be decided tonight," Alexandra Costa '10 said.

Super Tuesday consisted of primaries and caucuses in 24 states: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Tennessee, Utah and West Virginia.

In 2000 Super Tuesday was held on March 7 and included 16 states. This increased concentration of states on the same day can be seen to benefit the democratic process.

"I expect that voter participation will increase because contests are still up for grabs; therefore, voters still feel like they can make a difference," Meinke said.

Political analysts seemed to be right on all accounts. Clinton did surprise the nation by winning Massachusetts even though Senator Ted Kennedy and former

presidential candidate John Kerry endorsed Obama.

Gender, race and religious affiliation can be seen as having had an effect on these outcomes. The most important role of gender and race has been in motivating and mobilizing voters, Meinke said. This can be seen in the overwhelming numbers of females who came out to vote, the majority in support of Clinton.

Romney, a Mormon, won the majority in Utah, a state made up of 62.4 percent Mormons according to a 2004 poll quoted by the Salt Lake Tribune. Just yesterday, however, he suspended his campaign. According to CNN, he believed that if he continued it would "forestall the launch of a national campaign and be making it easier for Senator Clinton or Obama to win."

Before the start of primary season, analysts were concerned with the effects of changes made to the primary schedule.

"We saw the candidates working harder, earlier to raise money for their campaigns," said Meinke. "A compressed schedule means that money is more important than ever so if you haven't raised enough money to back your early wins, the momentum of your campaign will fizzle."

Earlier primaries have not made it impossible for a "dark horse" to be competitive. Such can be seen with Obama's early and continued success. Obama, a one term Senator, has won nationwide attention and respect.

Many analysts have been suggesting the race will come down to McCain and Clinton. Some say Clinton will have a difficult time defeating McCain.

"A Clinton-McCain race would be very competitive," Meinke said. "If he can solidify the Republican base he is well positioned to appeal to the middle. He has an image of being a

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graduation," Alexandra Costa '10 said.

Angela Reineika '09 would also select McCain as the best candidate. "He consistently affirms his principles and I think for the most part they are good ones, even if not totally conservative," she said.

Others are not quite as satisfied with the options provided by their party.

"I'm not exactly thrilled with any of the candidates running for the Republican nomination," Samantha Soller '09, president of the Bucknell University Conservatives Club, said. "Those who appear to be very conservative, like Fred Thompson, have minimal recognition and dropped out. Those who are electable, like McCain, aren't really that conservative."

Students face the electability versus experience factor when choosing between Clinton and Obama.

"I think that Senator Clinton is the strongest candidate for the Democratic Party, since she has experience and knows how to get things done in Washington," Perez said. "While change is good, outsiders that have become presidents have not usually been as successful at producing it as they promise to be."

While a candidate may have experience and be able to maneuver Washington with

more ease and efficiency, voters must take into consideration whether or not their candidate can defeat the opponent.

"The best choice is the candidate that is the most electable. This is an important characteristic that members of the respective parties need to keep in mind when they are choosing their candidate," Caroline Patten '09 said.

Between classes, assignments, work, sports and extracurriculars it is difficult for students to stay up to speed with the campaigns.

"I think a lot of students are beginning to get excited. I talk about the primaries fairly often with my friends. We like the excitement of the close races," Lindsay Hitz '08 said. "The fact that races may not completely be determined after Super Tuesday makes this an extremely interesting year."

Non-political science majors see the importance in this year's elections.

"Being an International Relations major, I am surrounded by students and professors in class who are very interested in the outcome of the primaries," Laura Fresco '08 said. "Now more than ever our country needs change for your future. It is for that reason that I think more young people are paying attention to what the presidential candidates have to say. My friends and I are hosting a Super Tuesday party to watch the poll!"

favorable because they face an American public questioning the ability of a Republican to best represent them.

The upcoming primaries will be in Ohio, Texas and Virginia.

To see primary results, refer to inset on A1.

Study calls University students 'less scholarly'

By BETHANY LAVINS
Staff Writer

To improve endowment and reputation, higher education leaders and college presidents in Peter D. Hart Research Associates, Inc.'s 2007 research suggested that, among other goals, the University develop a scholarly niche like colleges such as Williams and Oberlin.

Developing that niche will require changes in the student body, improved communication with alumni and more cross-campus events.

One college president noted, "Bucknell may not be able to advance into the top 10 of U.S. News and World Report, but it can certainly develop a niche that propels it into the top 20."

Some staff and board members believe that to advance, the University needs to upgrade the quality of students, in terms of higher SAT scores, academic potential and diverse and independent thinkers.

College presidents and higher education leaders agreed, noting the University's students, "while ambitious and successful, take a less scholarly approach to their studies; they focus more narrowly on developing a career and focus less on working for broader benefits for their field."

To foster better outreach, college presidents and higher education leaders recommended recruiting more diverse students, promoting innovations, publicizing speakers, awards and honors and focusing on what the University

can offer and comparing it to its "aspirational schools."

They also claimed that Brian C. Mitchell's presidency was one of the most attractive factors of the University and should be strongly advertised.

In its survey of the Plan for Bucknell, research found very low awareness about the Plan or its purpose among alumni, the key pool for endowment. Only 39 percent were somewhat familiar, while another 39 percent were not familiar at all with the Plan.

These factors were attributed to a decrease in alumni engagement over time. Just 51 percent of alumni felt they were at least "fairly informed" about the University.

Alumni that were informed applauded "the current administration's and Board's foresight in developing a comprehensive and integrated plan."

Hart Associates suggested that to combat unawareness and attract financial support, the University should focus The Plan's campaign around "the need for change in a changing world."

"Rather than emphasizing minority representation at Bucknell, it should be about stimulating new ways of thinking," the report said.

The study also suggested that new messaging in appropriate sources, such as "Bucknell World," could also help keep more alumni informed and aware.

Action has already been taken on some of these suggestions.

NEWS BRIEFS

WVIA-TV airs Cramer Lecture

Those who missed the Jim Cramer lecture "The Capitalist Citizen and Democracy" can watch the televised version on WVIA-TV. The Northeast and Central Pennsylvania public television broadcaster recorded Cramer's talk and it is scheduled to air throughout February. The upcoming date is Sunday, Feb. 10 at 3 p.m. Check local listings to verify time and date. The lecture can also be viewed on BU-TV everyday at 12 noon, 7 p.m., and 10 p.m. It will be available to watch on myBucknell on Feb. 12. University airings will be available until Feb. 29.

Campus forum on the Plan

Members of the President's Senior Staff are hosting a series of campus forums to "concentrate on important areas of institutional activity." There will be a focus on the Plan for Bucknell. Presentations by the Senior Staff members will be followed by a question and answer session. Forums will be held in the Elaine Langone Center Forum. Another series of forums with the Senior Staff will be held in the fall semester. The dates for Spring 2008 forums are listed below:

February
Host: Sam Lundquist, vice president for development and alumni relations
Subject: The Comprehensive Campaign
Date: Feb. 14 Time: 12 noon - 1 p.m.
March
Host: Pete Mackey, chief communications officer
Subject: Bucknell's Communications Strategy
Date: March 20 Time: 12 noon - 1 p.m.
April
Host: Dave Surgala, vice president for finance and administration
Subject: The Campus Master Plan
Date: April 10 Time: 12 noon - 1 p.m.

Tornado devastates South

Fifty-five people were killed and at least 100 injured after a series of tornadoes and thunder and hail storms ripped across five states in the South Tuesday. The New York Times reported Tennessee was hit the hardest with 30 deaths. Arkansas, Kentucky and Alabama also reported fatalities. The tornado destroyed dormitories in Union University in Jackson, Tenn. President Bush has pledged federal assistance and support to the affected states.

NYU and Polytechnic merge challenged

New York University's recent attempt to merge with Polytechnic University of Brooklyn was met with disapproval and rebellion by Polytechnic alumni and trustees. According to the New York Times, a letter was submitted to postpone the Board's vote on the deal. During recent years, Polytechnic ran a deficit as enrollment has dropped. Supporters of the merge believe merging with NYU could save the faltering engineering school.

Bucknellian Notices

An article in last week's issue may have implied to some that the oldest national fraternity is Phi Kappa Psi. It is true that Phi Kappa Psi was the first fraternity established on this campus, but Chi Phi is the oldest national fraternity, started in 1824.

In regards to last week's teaser to an article about next year's tuition, the University had no comment at this time concerning the status. The Bucknellian plans to obtain further information in a future issue.

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Opinions

The Bucknellian EDITORIAL

Who do we think we are?

Bucknell is known as being highly selective and highly competitive when admitting students. We had to work hard in high school—not only to get good grades, but also to be leaders, achievers, and to stand out in some way—in order to be accepted.

Why, then, do some staff and Board members think that the University needs to “upgrade the quality of students” in order to come closer to achieving its goals of improved endowment and reputation? These “constituents” suggest that the University should admit applicants with higher SAT scores and “academic potential” (what does that even mean?), as well as more “diverse and independent thinkers.”

Students are not the only component that makes up an institution of higher education. Before the students are “upgraded” like an old version of iTunes by tweaking admissions practices, the faculty could also “upgrade” their methods.

To quote William Arthur

Ward, “The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires.” Professors have the ability to mold the students into more academically-minded, intellectually diverse people.

While most students at some point in their college careers will (hopefully) experience a close bond with a professor that intellectually challenges and stimulates them, some may need that extra push from a professor.

Also, college presidents and higher education leaders that are informed about the University claim that although we are “ambitious and successful,” we “take a less-scholarship approach to [our] studies” and are more concerned with our future careers.

The highly selective



admissions process of the University almost automatically ensures that students are ambitious, and although we aren't nerds with pocket protectors, nor Omega pledges from Animal House, we strike a healthy balance in our lives. We work hard and we play hard.

It's not just the students

that are being admitted to the University that facilitates the career-mindedness of the student body. We have a career development center, which is a great resource to students and alumni, but what about an academic, research or intellectual development center?

Although it is sometimes true that we are resume builders, Bucknell students are known to be well-balanced and well-prepared for the real world... in some ways more than others.

There is, however, some room for improvement.

It's no secret that there is a lack of racial diversity, but perhaps less noticed is the pervasive sense of socioeconomic similarity on campus. To

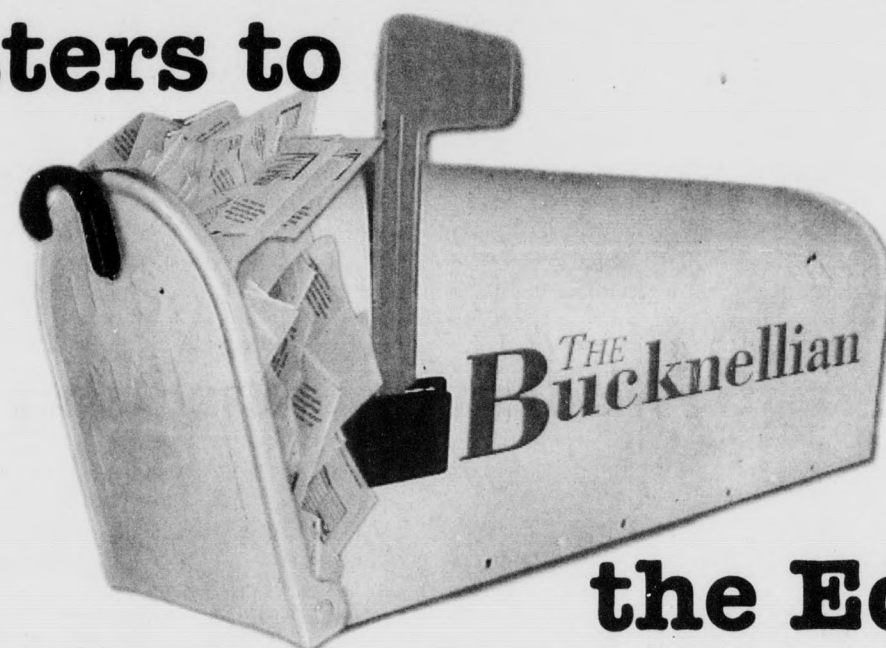
reflect a Hart Associates Image Report respondent's quote, cultural diversity is more important than racial diversity.

One technique in which intellectual diversity can be enhanced, as well as by admitting more students from vastly different demographic areas, students whose differences are not just skin color or their accent.

The report is correct in that there are changes and improvements that can be made to the University. Intellectual dialogue on campus has to increase, and while the University can change the intellectual dynamic on campus in the future we need to recognize our problems now.

This includes all of us, not just the students or the staff or the administration, but everyone together. The University's weaknesses need to become strengths and its strengths need to be stronger. Preparing for the future is of the utmost importance, but the past cannot be forgotten and the present should not be ignored.

Letters to



the Editor

Alumna disappointed with guns

To the Editor:

I just read a lengthy e-mail from President Mitchell attempting to justify the decision to arm the campus police. This scares the living day-lights out of me. Arming the campus police wouldn't have saved one life at Virginia Tech.

On the other hand, a police officer was just murdered yesterday with her own gun by a perpetrator the officer was attempting to handcuff.

The number of people who are accidentally or intentionally killed or injured by guns that are meant for “protection” far outweighs the instances of people who are called upon to protect themselves with these guns.

This is yet another of the major disappointments I've experienced with the University (including the recent mortification of seeing the University listed as the third-most expensive college in the world without the credentials to support the cost) between the time I graduated in 1973 and my daughter entered in 2006.

I would like to see the Plan for Bucknell addressing issues related to core human and educational values and not reacting to public relations issues of the moment or funding obsessive marketing. Please try to do better.

Best regards,
 Kristen Harcharch Jenks '73

Praise for coverage of ‘Juno’

To the Editor:

I want to commend The Bucknellian for its coverage of the film “Juno” in last week's issue. I saw “Juno” shortly after it came out and was impressed with its quirkiness, as well as the spunky attitude of the title character. I was also glad to see an article devoted to the music of the film—partly because I agree with Jason Bateman's character's sentiment that music hit its peak around 1993, but also because the quaintness of the music underscored the theme of the film nicely.

The writer, Richard Thornburgh,

sums up the soundtrack nicely, but I do have one clarification. He attributes several songs to Kimya Dawson, but Dawson is also one half of the anti-folk duo The Moldy Peaches. The Moldy Peaches are responsible for “Anyone Else But You,” one of the more prominent songs featured in “Juno.” As a fan of The Moldy Peaches since my early high school days, I thought it was important that both Kimya Dawson and Adam Green (her male counterpart) get the credit they deserve for such a good song.

Sincerely,
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Opinions

The periscope view of human rights

By SOO HYUN
 ALEXANDER LEE
 Contributing Writer

Human rights experiences a temporary evolution from the general to the idealistic. It rises out of mere intellectual chit-chat and into serious consideration only when there's some particularly egregious violation against humanity. The cost of importing the news of these occurrences from abroad functions on the currency of murder—only when people are ruthlessly killed do they become a part of international awareness. Only with a minimum market price of at least a few souls do they find a time slot in the media.

Apathy is the true terror.

This leaves a lot of room for media pundits to sculpt human rights into whatever they please, such as an expensive charity ball, fashionable rhetoric or a mind game involving the categorization of human beings as martyrs or, B., victims.

There's a tendency to reduce the maximum carrying capacity of contemplating human rights to one atrocity at a time. Like a newborn introduced into a family with an only son, the attention is shifted almost entirely from one genocide to the next. It

proper credentials and pedigree. An anxiety of sounding ignorant suddenly permits ignorance itself.

The truth, however, is so explicit that it's perverse. Beneath the thick winter blankets of media regurgitation and intellectual hubbub is the fact that people are suffering.

There were never any identifiable good or evil forces. There are only those trampled on in the process of building new governments, securing more resources, and defending religious or national interests. There are only those muted by govern-

ment censorship in Morocco, the ruthlessly exploited in China and the psychologically scarred comfort women in East Asia.

The field of human rights is a response to something that's much more disgusting than “x,” “y,” “z,” people, “y,” are de-humanized and objectified. The “x” is known, at least nominally, while “y” becomes a distant current swept away into seas of forgetfulness.

If you've read up to this point, you're probably expecting a conclusion out of all this buildup—most likely something revelatory and acutely inspiring. Is there a periscope to peer out of these silent seas into the light of practical reality?

We already know there isn't. But understand this—there are those who wait and are aware of it, and there are others who wait and tune it out.

Those who objectify humans are those who never took it upon themselves to contemplate the value of humanity. It's a lesson taken for granted in such a way that something that should be a clear and irrefutable fact of life becomes blurry and inconspicuous—something easy to replace.

The point is that the

struggle isn't always pitted against an exotic, outside force. There isn't always some shadowy, bearded figure or any other icon of hate. The cancerous root is much more ubiquitous, more deeply implanted. It lies within us and our conceptualization of each other. It lies in merciless competition, greed, discriminatory favor or disqualification or those seemingly innocuous grudges we have against each other.

So I propose this approach—investigate your understanding of the human being. This provides the steady construction of a defense against persuasive outside influences. When there's no conflicting moral theory, then new ones are accepted at face value. Without an ounce of rationality, we herald not moralities we've established ourselves, but ones that have been transmitted from above and far out, ones that propagate not only fear, but also apathy.

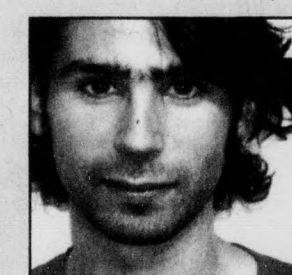
Apathy is the true terror. On Sunday Feb. 3, the Associated Press released a report entitled, “US accidentally kills 9 Iraqi civilians.” Allow me to summarize 300 words, roughly a third of this article, with seven:

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My Favorite Mistake

A second look at daytime television

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
 Senior Writer



Ordinarily I write about a mistake from the past week, but today I'm going to go back in time to winter break. I have neither Internet access nor cable television at home, so I'm often stuck watching network TV for amusement—really bad network TV. Sometimes I'm so desperate I even watch “Maury Povich.” And that leads into the story I'm about to tell you.

Watching “Maury Povich” is always a mistake. Simply put, it's really bad TV. Almost every episode is some variation on the same theme: “I slept with so many guys that I don't know which one is my baby's daddy.” Maury used to have variations like “My baby's daddy is my sister's fiancé” or “My baby's daddy is closely related to me,” but lately Maury has gotten so lazy—or perhaps complacent—that he doesn't even try to dress up his basic formula.

His complacency is undoubtedly due, at least in part, to people like me. One morning during winter break, over a bowl of Captain Crunch, I found myself watching “Maury.” The episode was your typical fare: a man in a long-term relationship revealed to his significant other that he had been cheating. One man had cheated on his girlfriend—the mother of his three children—with her 19-year-old sister. Another man whose wife had recently beaten breast cancer was caught cheating on her with her nurse because they “thought she [the wife] was going to die.”

These were the most serious offenders, but most of the cheaters were much more humorous. Most were men who were caught cheating on camera and didn't know they had been

caught. They swore up and down that they were faithful up until the big moment when the hidden camera footage was revealed. Then, of course, a string of often ridiculous excuses were made, followed by a dramatic attempt to proclaim their love for the jilted lovers.

About 20 minutes into the episode, I realized with a start that I was actually entertained by these onstage antics. I suddenly realized that many of these couples had been together for several years—some more than 10. Although the behavior of both parties was probably exaggerated, I was still taking delight at the same moment that some woman's life was basically falling apart. This was schadenfreude at its best.

Let's just judge me for watching what I know to be mindlessly horrible television, I'd like to point out that I generally only watch the show because I often eat breakfast around 11 a.m., and the only other thing worth watching around that time is “The View.” I'm not a woman, so I don't bother watching that. Besides, sometimes the women on that show get even nastier than the women on “Maury Povich.”

Even so, I decided I couldn't condone this sort of television. I couldn't continue to generate ad revenue for “Maury Povich.” There's nothing funnier than watching some dude make an ass out of himself after being caught with his hand in the proverbial cookie jar, but I'd hate to be there when the laughter stops.

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Currently Untitled

By Juliana Su



Last Ditch Effort

By John Kroes



Sadie Alexander and the economic rights of citizenship

By PROFESSOR NINA BANKS
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Nearly a century ago, African American public intellectual Sadie Alexander grappled with the same issues that the University is now discussing in its forum: The Citizen & Politics in America.

Beginning in the 1930s, Alexander, an economist and lawyer, developed arguments to overcome black oppression in the United States by advocating policies that provided for full employment as a right of citizenship. Her work was part of a strand in political discourse that linked arguments for political freedoms and equality to the provision of jobs and other necessities of life.

Sadie Tanner Mossell was born in 1898 in Philadelphia, Pa. to parents from prominent African American families. Yet, her childhood was not without economic hardship, since her parents separated when she was very young. Alexander spent her formative years living in Washington, D.C. where she attended the prestigious all-black M Street High School. At M Street, Mossell was exposed to the ideas of leading black intellectuals and activists, including Carter G. Woodson, Mary Church Terrell and W.E.B. DuBois.

After graduating from M Street in 1915, Mossell attended the University of Pennsylvania (UPenn). While there, she experienced profound racial exclusion and discrimination and these incidents served as a catalyst for her life-long assault against racial oppression.

In 1921, Sadie Mossell became one of three African American women who earned doctorate degrees for the first time in U.S. history. Although she obtained a doctorate in economics (from UPenn), Mossell was unable to practice economics because of the interplay of gender and racial discrimination.

After marrying Raymond Alexander, upon his graduation from Harvard Law, Sadie Alexander returned to UPenn for law school and in 1927 she became the first African American woman to practice law in Pennsylvania. Thereafter, she spent the duration of her life challenging structural impediments that prevented African Americans from exercising their rights as citizens.

According to law historian Kenneth Mack, the Alexander law firm was responsible for most of the desegregation litigation in Pennsylvania.

Sadie Alexander also challenged unfair laws and practices directed against blacks through the speeches that she gave to black and white audiences across the country. In response to the failure of New Deal policies to provide adequate relief and reforms beneficial to black Americans, Alexander developed a program to curb black oppression through policies that would lead to economic justice.

The provision of economic justice was central to Alexander's struggle to obtain black political rights.

Alexander maintained that poverty, low wages and competition among racial groups over jobs heightened racial hostility and intoler-

ance against racial minorities. She advocated policies to redistribute national income and social goods to low-income groups.

Alexander believed that the guarantee of jobs to all who wanted to work in the United States was both a citizenship and a human right. Full employment would result in the hiring and promotion of more black workers as well as strengthen workers' bargaining position relative to capital.

Alexander reasoned that if white workers felt more economically secure, it would lessen their desire to deny or restrict the political rights and freedoms of racial minorities. This, she believed, was essential for providing a foundation for democratic governance.

To achieve post-war full employment, Alexander outlined a program for job creation that would deal with pressing social needs. Her plan relied on the use of the nation's geared-up industrial plants and labor to clear slums, build infrastructure, and reduce hunger and illiteracy. Alexander recommended redistributing national income through equitable taxes as a way to finance the additional jobs necessary to have a fully employed labor force as well as a way to broaden social security, unemployment insurance, worker's compensation and a minimum wage tied to the cost of living.

Alexander's strategies for improving the welfare of black Americans have been missing from economic analysis because she was not employed as an economist and because scholarship by pioneering black social scientists has been marginalized within the white academy.

These black scholar-activists advanced many theories and strategies for democratic participation and responsibility that were well ahead of most of their white American peers.

Sadie Alexander's analysis of racial conflict and the need for full employment and income redistribution continue to be relevant to the U.S. political economy.

Economic insecurity over the availability of jobs, livable wages, and adequate benefits are persistent concerns for U.S. workers, particularly with the decline in unionization and the increase in globalization.

Deindustrialization has been especially burdensome for African Americans because of their concentration in urban communities experiencing massive job loss. Significant economic disparities between blacks and whites in the United States have continued in the post-Civil Rights era.

Black unemployment rates have consistently been more than double white unemployment rates since the Bureau of Labor Statistics began compiling unemployment data by race in 1972.

The alarming rise in black and Latino incarceration rates since the War on Drugs was implemented by President Reagan illustrates one way in which minority freedoms and rights have been curtailed during an era of economic insecurity.

Alexander's policy recommendations to safeguard minority rights through livable wages, public sector job creation and redistributive policies that combat poverty remain not only relevant but also urgent.

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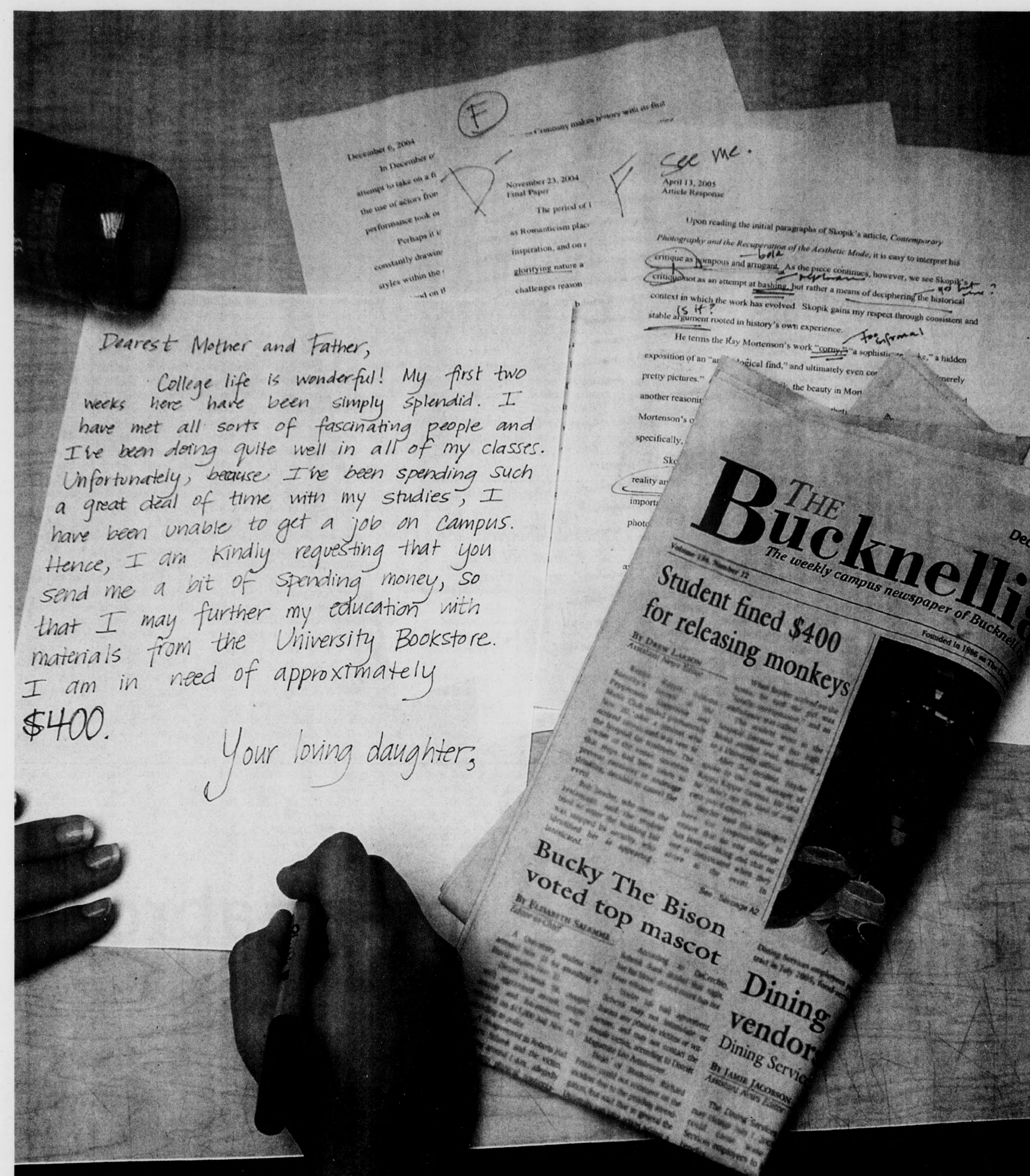
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Student interns in Burkina Faso

Henna Wang '10 recounts her life-changing experience of spending a summer in the West-African country



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An overcrowded bus pauses on a dirt road in Burkina Faso. Villagers surround the vehicle, seeking business.

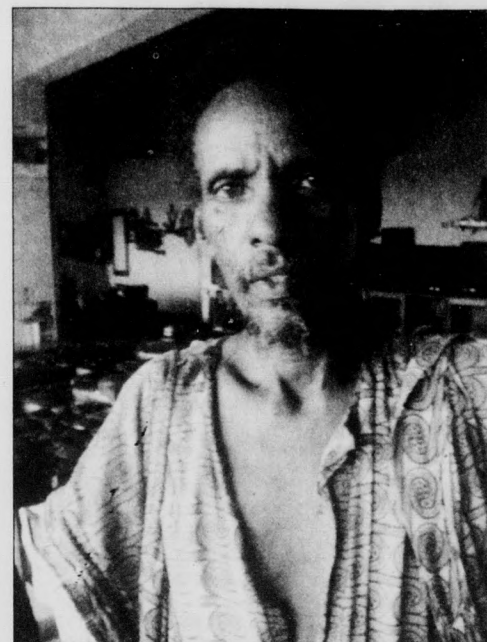


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A native artist in his shop, where he specializes in making leather boxes. His work is in demand from Danish and U.S. buyers.



Photo courtesy of Henna Wang

Henna Wang poses with the staff of the Village Artisanal de Ouagadougou. Among other things, Wang worked with the VAO during her summer in Africa.

By HENNA WANG
Contributing Writer

During the summer of 2007 I interned through a non-University program in one of the world's poorest countries: Burkina Faso in West Africa.

I worked at Village Artisanal de Ouagadougou (VAO), managed by the Burkina Faso Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Crafts and the Luxembourg Agency.

Over a million people in Burkina Faso rely on artistry as their sole source of income. The "Village" was created to increase trade in handicrafts to ensure these people had a venue to showcase their work.

I worked closely with Peace Corps volunteers and managers to help find potential markets for a diverse group of artists and then brand their artistry.

Through my efforts, I helped contribute to the economic development of artisan communities in Ouagadougou. I taught English as a

Second Language (ESL) and assisted with designing business cards for the artists and boutiques. Right in the midst of things, I redesigned the display area for the Village to enhance their exhibitions and improve their image.

Since I was basically on my own, I did a lot to prepare for this experience. I knew I was going to be dealing with Burkina Faso's water shortage so I researched and read books such as "Thirst: Fighting the Corporate Theft of our Water," by Alan Snitow & Deborah Kaufman with Michael Fox, and "Sahel" by Marc Francioli.

I consulted with biology professor Sixto Portilla at Dowling College and Mrs. Janet Fischer, the adviser for Model United Nations (UN) at Connetquot High School, and we discussed the possibility of Sayville Rotary sponsoring a water project in Burkina Faso. All this helped me understand the people, culture and conditions in the country.

When I arrived in Burkina Faso, I

experienced the culture I had been so hungrily researching, and found myself open to so many hands-on opportunities.

My stay with native Burkinabes not only enhanced my knowledge of French, but also my understanding of

I witnessed a doctor deliver a baby by flashlight because their hospital had no electricity.

the culture, people and the need for resources in that part of the world.

I learned about their humanitarian mission in the country at the Taiwanese Embassy. Accompanied by Mr. Boureima Balima, a member of Burkina Faso Senate, I met with Mme. Campaore, the President's sister.

Chief Chen-Chung Lee, the "water

expert" in Burkina Faso, shared his expertise with me. I later met with the president of Rotary in Burkina Faso, and discussed the water project with other Rotarians. I then visited fields where some water wheels were already in place and others were under construction.

Through my volunteer work at VAO, as well as my research, I have become committed to improving the lives of those less fortunate and I learned a tremendous amount, both in my internship at VAO and in efforts to connect Rotary in Ouagadougou with Sayville Rotary to start a water project.

I am currently preparing a presentation for Rotary International (Sayville Chapter) on a possible water project in Burkina Faso. I presented it to Model UN at Connetquot High School in January, and was invited to speak at St. John Episcopal Church in Long Island, New York during winter break.

Burkina Faso will be a place and an experience I will never forget. Their

classrooms are built for 32 students, but more than 100 were standing to hear a lecture. I witnessed a doctor deliver a baby by flashlight because their hospital had no electricity. It is a place where rich kids watch MTV all day while poor kids travel for hours to fetch water for their families.

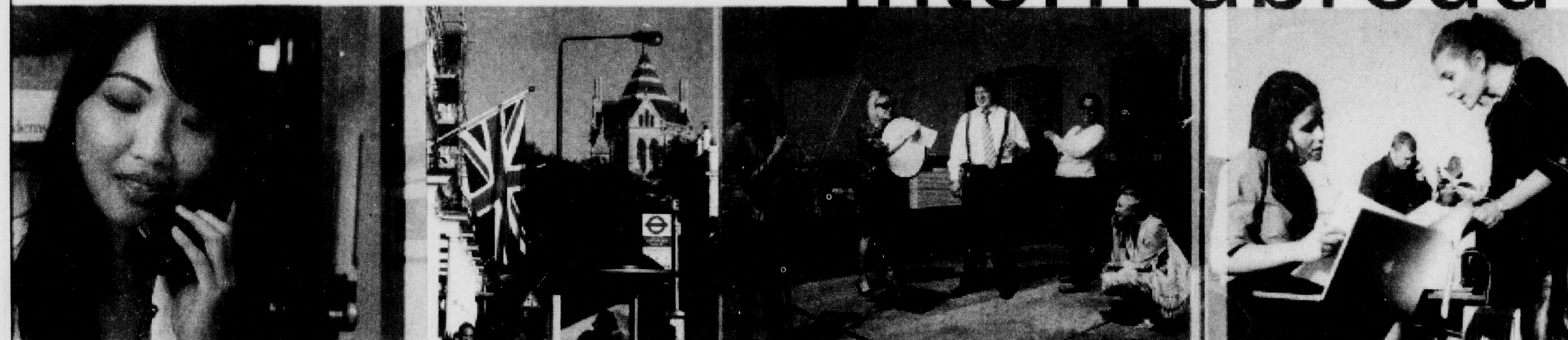
A typical Burkinabe woman cannot afford luxuries like electricity or an au pair. She has ceased to compete for her husband's love with the other wives because she is confined to a society where men have the right to love more than one woman.

I believe a summer internship like this could help others become better leaders, accelerate global education, and expand personal networks.

Study and immersion in a country other than United States is vital. My belief is each time we exchange knowledge and skills with the people of Africa and the world, we make a big step toward becoming global citizens—ones with compassion and humanity, both so needed today.

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Simic to address '08 graduates

The U.S. Poet Laureate's rich life include a multitude of accomplishments

By MAX FRIEDLANDER
Writer

The University recently announced that Serbian-American poet Charles Simic will speak at this year's graduation.

Born in the former Yugoslavia in 1938, the Pulitzer Prize-winner began his life in a country plagued by war. At the age of 16, he moved with his mother to the United States where they joined his father in New York. Soon after, the family moved to Oak Park, a suburb outside Chicago.

Incidentally, Simic attended the same high school as another notable writer, Ernest Hemingway.

Following high school, Simic enrolled in the University of Chicago, but was drafted to serve in the Army from 1961 to 1963. He attended New York University after his service, where he received his B.A.

Simic published his first poems in 1959 at age 21, and his premier collection "What the Grass Says," in 1967. He has more than 20 full-length books of poetry today includ-



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Serbian-American poet Charles Simic will speak at this year's graduation. Simic has won the Pulitzer prize and a MacArthur Fellowship, among other awards.

ing "Selected Poems: 1963-2003" (2004), "My Noiseless Entourage: Poems" (2005) and "That Little Something" (scheduled for publication in spring 2008).

Throughout his work, Simic writes about diverse subjects ranging from music—specifically jazz—to art and philosophy. By manipulating the English lan-

guage, Simic develops a style instantly recognizable to poetry critics and casual readers alike.

"Words make Jove on the page like flies in the summer heat and the poet is only the bemused spectator," Simic once said, describing his theory of poetic composition.

Simic is one of the most celebrated and highest achieving poets of our time. He is the co-Poetry Editor for the "Paris Review" and professor emeritus at the University of New Hampshire. He is also the recipient of numerous awards, including the MacArthur Fellowship.

Each year, the MacArthur Fellowship, sometimes dubbed the "genius grant," is given to 20 to 40 individuals. According to the foundation, the recipients must "show exceptional merit and promise for continued and enhanced creative work."

Recipients of this award are given \$500,000 over five years, which Simic earned from 1984 to 1989. A year after his fellowship ended, Simic won the Pulitzer Prize in poetry.

Arguably Simic's highest achievement was his appointment to the position of Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry to the Library of Congress. The poet in this position receives a \$35,000 stipend. On August 2, the very same day, he received the Wallace Stevens Award of \$100,000 from the Academy of American Poetry, of which he had already been elected chancellor.

In addition to his poetic talent, Simic is an accomplished essayist, translator, editor and professor. Because of his dominance and success in the field of poetry, he is a great candidate to encourage students of the class of 2008 to climb to the top of whichever field they may choose.

"Having such an influential and successful person like Charles Simic speaking at my graduation, the day I leave Bucknell and begin my career, will be an honor and a great motivator," Michael Murnane '08 said.

Sara Roth contributed to this article.

Whip up a treat for your sweetheart

By RINA VAN ORDEN
AND SARA ROTH
Features Editors

Chocolate Covered Strawberries

6 ounces semisweet chocolate, chopped
3 ounces white chocolate, chopped
1 pound strawberries with stems (about 20), washed and dried very well



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Put the semisweet and white chocolates into 2 separate heatproof medium bowls. Fill 2 medium saucepans with a couple inches of water and bring to a simmer over medium heat. Turn off the heat; set the bowls of chocolate over the water to melt. Stir until smooth. (Alternatively, melt the chocolates in a microwave at half power for 1 minute, stir and then heat for another minute or until melted.) Once the chocolates are melted and smooth, remove from the heat. Line a sheet pan with parchment or waxed paper. Holding the strawberry by the stem, dip the fruit into the dark chocolate, lift and twist slightly, letting any excess chocolate fall back into the bowl. Set strawberries on the parchment paper. Repeat with the rest of the strawberries. Dip a fork in the white chocolate and drizzle the white chocolate over the dipped strawberries. Set the strawberries aside until the chocolate sets, about 30 minutes.

Recipe courtesy of Food Network Kitchens

ACROSS

1. Unspoiled
5. Employees
10. Heidi's home
14. Burden of proof
15. Bandleader Shaw
16. Boxing prize
17. Talk like Daffy
18. Pageant crown
19. Chills and fever
20. ABA Member (abbr.)
21. OK, without thinking
23. Change one's tune?
25. Relieves
26. Writer Rand
27. Walkie wiggie
30. Fashionable
33. Geometric calculation
38. Trailblazer's aim
41. Some landmark Supreme Court decisions
42. Bit of sweat
43. Followers' followers
44. Sgt. or Cpl.
46. Pint-sized
50. Sushi wrap
54. Exactly
58. Buddy
59. Against
60. Bitter
61. Kind of loser
62. Sharp
63. Give it a —
64. Privy to
65. Brontë's "Jane —"
66. Hangman's rope
67. Ms. Banks

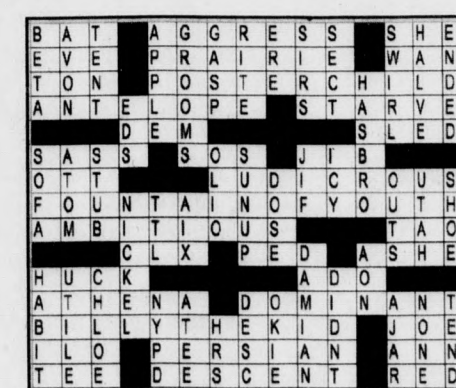
DOWN

1. Kind of cap
2. Fuse
3. Corrodes
4. Paranormal ability
5. Large planet
6. Extended family
7. Start — (order drinks)
8. Prometheus present
9. North Carolina's Cape —
10. Diminish
11. OK, in a way
12. Chubby
13. Stairs segments
21. Mr. Rogers
22. Embarrassment
24. Stockpile
27. Cocktail dress companions
28. Vases
29. Actress Tyler
30. EMT's skill
31. Color
32. Micro Microsoft (abbr.)
33. — moss
34. Macaroni shape
35. Water tester
36. Govt. watchdog
37. Traffic stopper
39. Hackneyed
40. College Prep. schools
44. Sewing necessity
45. Freedom, to a teen
46. Investment
47. Sweet substance
48. Riverbank romper
49. German wine valley

50. Moves a muscle

51. Key material?
52. Boo-boo
53. Designer Karan
55. Site in suburbia

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January 26 Answers

Living Well at Bucknell

High energy for busy students

By ALEXANDRA COSTA
Contributing Writer

Have you ever fallen asleep in class or found yourself exhausted in the middle of the afternoon?

College students across the nation face the challenge of balancing academics, athletics, campus jobs, social events, clubs and organizations while staying enthusiastic and prepared.

We look for the quick fix in coffee, high energy drinks and fast food, often the worst options available. Having only 24 hours in a day can seem limiting to busy students, but optimal nutrition and advantageous exercises can heighten energy and help us make the most of our day.

Tanya Williams, MS, RD, LDN, is a Clinical Dietician at the University and offers students five quick and easy tips to stay healthy and fueled for a busy college life.

Tip #1 - Eat Breakfast

College students are full of excuses for why they do not eat breakfast: They do not have enough time, they are not hungry, they do not like breakfast foods or they claim to be on a diet.

"Of all the nutrition mistakes to be made, skipping breakfast is by far the worst," according to Williams. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day.

Solutions for breakfast blues are to pack your midnight snack for easy morning eating and consider all types of food such as lunch or dinner options. Do not just stay stuck in a cereal or eggs dilemma, and skip late-night eating so you will actually be hungry when the sun rises. And for those dieters, researchers have proven that eating breakfast is one of the best ways to lose and keep off weight.

Tip #2 - Exercise on a Regular Basis

Feeling tired and like you're dragging around campus? It could be caused by not moving your muscles enough. Williams explained exercise actually improves energy and has the added benefits of relieving stress and making for a better night's sleep.

Exercise can also help lower blood pressure, an added long-term benefit of being fit. The Surgeon General of the United States recommends 30 minutes of exercise five days a week as a "prescription" to increase energy and maintain weight.

At the University there are exercise options even for those who do not play organized sports. Visit the Krebs Family Fitness Center or Davis Gym, swim, join a club sport or attend a dance class.

For those reluctant athletes, there is always walking briskly between classes and saying no to the elevator by taking the stairs.

Tip #3 - Hydration

"Water," said Williams, "is the most important nutrient." Even slight dehydration can lead to fatigue and exhaustion.

Water increases metabolic rates and energy levels, and is what our lives use to metabolize fat into useable energy. It is estimated that over 80 percent of our population suffers energy loss due to minor dehydration.

The recommended amount of water intake is eight glasses a day, but depends on the individual person. Water cannot be replaced by high energy drinks loaded with salt or caffeine-rich soda loaded with sugar. Water stands alone as the gold medal high energy winner.

Tip #4 - High Energy Snacks

Your mother was wrong: Snacking is good. Snacks consist of "mini meals" which include at least two foods from at least two food groups and are eaten every three to four hours during the day.

Snacks provide constant and consistent energy to fuel workouts and normal daily activities. Unlike large meals, snacks do not spike your metabolism and then leave your body feeling depleted.

So ignore your mother and go ahead and snack; but keep the sugar and salt to a minimum. Examples of healthy snacks include bagels, oatmeal with milk, cereal and fruit.

Tip #5 - Sleep

Most Americans do not get enough sleep and, according to Williams, sleeping is "your body's time to heal."

The United States Centers for Disease Control recommend adolescents should get eight and a half to nine and a half hours of sleep per night, and adults should get seven to nine hours per night.

The National Sleep Foundation says on their Web site more than 85 percent of teens do not get enough sleep at night. Often caffeine, long naps, extreme temperatures, bright lights and distracting electronics lead to sleep deprivation. Sleep is not an extra in a healthy and active life; it is an essential we cannot ignore.

For more information on how nutrition can provide high energy, Williams is available at Student Health Services and can be reached at 7-1401. She works closely with other departments on campus, such as the Women's Resource Center and Sports and Recreation Services, and welcomes visitors and questions.

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Whether single or taken, make Valentine's Day special

Romance for singles and couples

By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

Whether we like it or not, Valentine's Day is upon us.

Therefore, we must be resourceful and find ways to treat ourselves—whether we are in a relationship on campus, making it work long distance, or single and satisfied.

Giving flowers, jewelry or candy to your loved one (or yourself) is always a viable option, but a more personal gift is a creative way to show you really care.

For those lucky enough to have a relationship on campus:

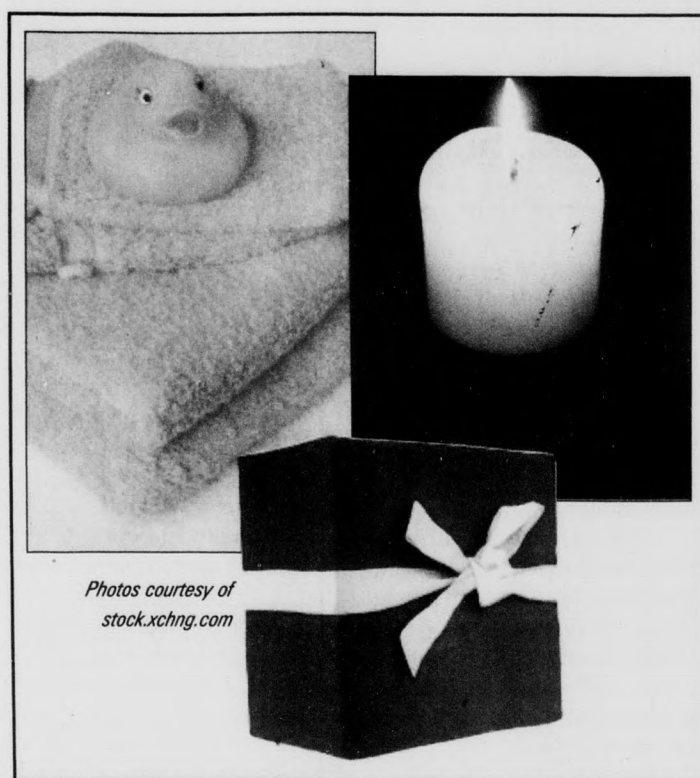
—Cook your significant other a romantic dinner. You don't have to be a gourmet; your date will appreciate the effort, even if you only cook spaghetti. Make sure to light a candle—but only if you live off campus.

—Make a playlist or mixed CD of your favorite songs. High Fidelity style.

—Surprise your boyfriend or girlfriend with little notes throughout the day, creatively placed for him or her to find.

—You could put a letter in the person's mailbox, on his or her pillow, or in a book bag.

—Buy some scented oil and give your love a sensual massage. If shatsu isn't your thing,



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you can always send him or her to Greek Isles downtown for a 30-minute or hour-long massage.

For those of you who can't be with you're special someone, nothing is more romantic than receiving something in the mail:

—Get a friend to take a sexy picture of you, and make it black and white. Print and frame it—both are easy to do at WalMart—and your loved one will have a classy memento for

Valentine's Day.

—Order fruit or flowers to be delivered with a personal message or inside joke.

—Make a video message for your significant other. Seeing you talk and smile is the closest thing you can give your boyfriend or girlfriend to actually seeing you in person.

—Send a Valentine's Day care package filled with candy, little trinkets and something personal that has special significance.

cance to only the two of you.

Finally, if you are single, don't worry. Valentine's Day is just a commercial holiday created by Hallmark. However, people will still be extra lovey-dovey, and instead of getting sick, you might as well do something special for yourself:

—If you're a girl, get a manicure or pedicure. If you're a guy, play Halo twice as much as usual.

—Have a girls' or guys' night out (or in).

—Girls: eat ice cream, curl up with friends, and watch great movies like "First Wives Club" or "Legally Blonde."

—Guys: eat fried wings, burp loudly, and watch great movies like "Wild Things" and "Alien vs. Predator."

—Take a bubble bath (if you have a bathtub), light candles (if you're off campus), and stay in until your skin wrinkles. Fall asleep in your bathtub.

—Don't call your ex. You were too good for him or her yesterday, you'll be too good for him or her tomorrow; the same goes for Valentine's day.

—Love yourself. Preferably twice.



By RINA VAN ORDEN AND SARA ROTH
Features Editors

Since love is in the air this week, a little expertise on wine can add to the romance of any rendezvous. Whether you are showing off for a date or impressing your boss and colleagues, knowing just the right wine to order and how to do it properly can put you ahead of the game.

First, you must decide the most obvious question: red or white? Red wines are best suited for red meat (beef, lamb and pork) and white wines go well with poultry and fish. For pasta, the color of wine should match the color of sauce; white for cream bases and red for tomato bases.

Many of the wines you typically find on a wine list are named after the type of grape used to make them, such as Chardonnay, Pinot Grigio, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon.

Other types are named after the regions of the world where they are grown, which include Burgundy, Champagne, Chianti and Port.

Each kind has its own distinct taste, since each varies in body, acidity, dryness and flavor. Simply, body is how heavy the wine feels in your mouth, acidity is how tart it is, and dryness and sweetness depend on how much sugar you can taste in the wine.

Because there are so many types of wine and distinctions within each type, it can be hard to know exactly which to order. That is why we have included descriptions of a variety of common wines.

You do not need to have all of these tidbits memorized to make an impression at dinner because the decision between red and white is the biggest to conquer. These descriptions can simply help you get a sense of what flavors to expect from each wine so you will be sure to enjoy what you order, and maybe even whip out an impressive food-wine pairing every now and then.

White Wines

Chardonnay — medium to full-bodied, dry, flavors range from oaky to fruity. Complements shrimp, salmon and lobster.

Pinot Grigio — light to medium-bodied, dry, acidic. Goes well with seafood and pasta, especially flavored with garlic.

Sauvignon Blanc — light to medium-bodied, dry, usually fruity. Excellent with seafood, chicken and pasta.

Riesling — light-bodied, ranges dry to sweet. Try with spicy ethnic foods.

Red Wines

Merlot — full-bodied, dry. Complements pork, veal and pasta with red sauce.

Cabernet Sauvignon — medium to full-bodied, dry. Delicious with roasted red meat.

Shiraz — full-bodied, dry, spicy. Accompanies barbecued and grilled meat.

Pinot Noir — light to medium-bodied, dry. Try with salmon, ham and pork. If you are craving red wine but ordering a light dish, Pinot Noir is the way to go.

Zinfandel — full-bodied, dry. Tasty with turkey and duck. This wine can also complement lighter dishes.

Ordering Etiquette

When preparing to order wine, you do not have to know exactly which one you will choose. Figure out what you and your company will be ordering for dinner and then decide on the color of wine. Next you should decide on a price range so you do not break the bank. Then ask your waiter to suggest a wine fitting your requirements.

Red wine should come in a wide bowl-shaped glass, which you can hold by the goblet, and white wine should come in a smaller tulip-shaped glass, which you should hold by the stem so the wine stays chilled.

When the waiter brings the bottle of wine you ordered, let him pour a bit into your glass. You can then pick up the glass and look at the wine through the bottom of the glass, making sure it is not cloudy. Then swirl and smell the wine, making sure the odor is not peculiar.

Finally, taste the wine, and if it has not gone bad, nod to the waiter or waitress, so he can pour the wine into everyone else's glasses. If the wine is not your favorite, but not spoiled, do not send it back. It will make you look pretentious and embarrass the table.

Never smell the cork. The waiter leaves the cork on the table so you can check it for mold or cracks, which lead to spoiled wine.

If you are ordering individual glasses of wine, it is okay to order different wines with different meals; indeed, a Pinot Grigio will bring out the flavor of, say, mussels, whereas a Shiraz will better complement a steak. However, always defer to the head of the table. If the head is not ordering more than a glass of wine, you should follow suit. It is not polite or respectful to drink more than your fellow diners.

On that note, if no one at the table orders alcohol, you should abstain as well. There may be recovering alcoholics present, and seeing others drinking may upset them.

Finally, try not to order White Zinfandel. It's usually sneered at by wine enthusiasts, and you do not want diners to notice anything but your impeccable taste and fabulous company.

Some information referenced from "The Mere Mortal's Guide to Fine Dining" by Colleen Rush.

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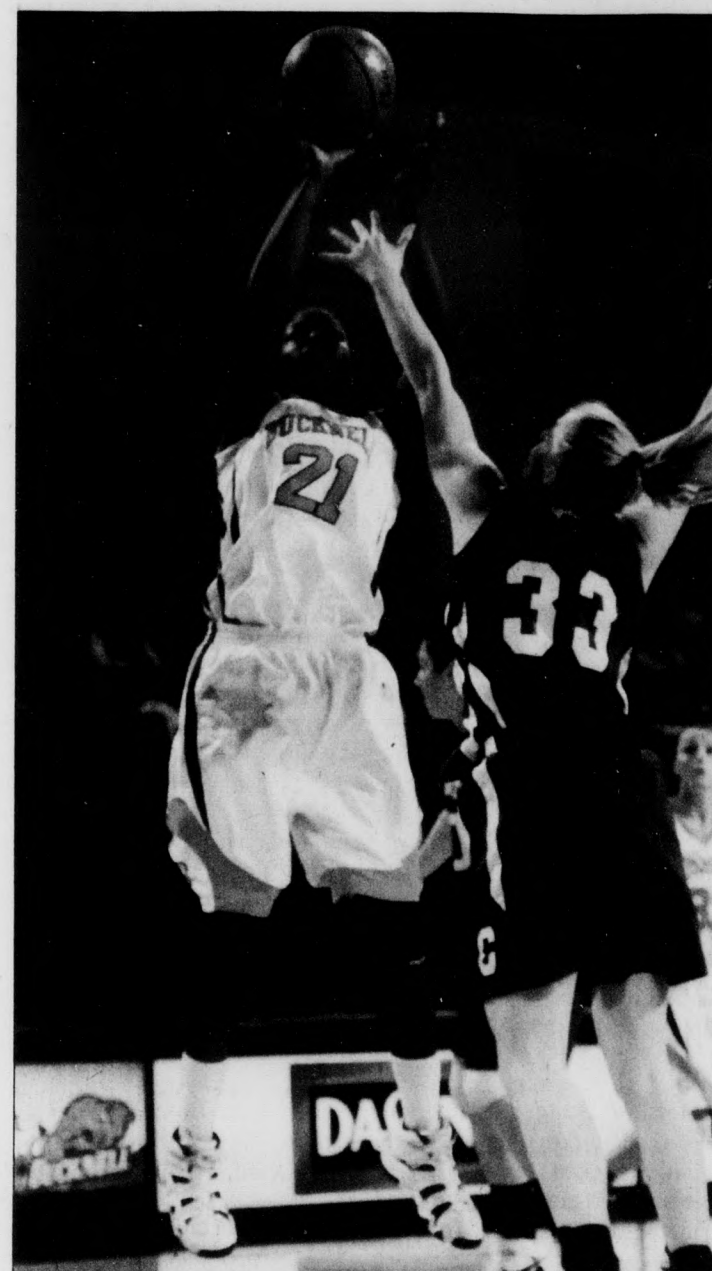
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Bison knock off first place Army

Women's Basketball concludes first half of Patriot League season still in the running for regular-season title



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Hope Foster '08 shoots over a Colgate player. Foster boasts a .446 field goal percentage so far this season.

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

With a 3-3 record in Patriot League play heading into Sunday's game at West Point, N.Y., against Army, the women's basketball team needed a win against the 5-1 Black Knights to move into a three-way tie for fourth place in the conference standings.

Some line-up changes and 40 minutes of game action later, the Bison had secured a 47-46 victory, improving their record to 4-3 (9-12 overall) along with American and Lafayette. Army fell to 5-2, tied with Holy Cross and Lehigh for first place.

"We had a warrior's mentality today and we are going to need that if we are going to win a championship," Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said on the post-game radio show.

The win put the Bison into position to compete with the five other teams at the top of the league for the regular-season title (Navy is 1-6 and Colgate 0-7 against the rest of the conference). The Orange and Blue entered the game against the Black Knights being outscored by an average of 6.8 rebounds per game.

To help deal with that problem, Fedorjaka adjusted her starting line-up, inserting the 6-foot-2-inch Joyce Novacek '11 into the starting

five to go along with 6'2" Hope Foster '08 and 6'0" Lauren Schober '09.

"With Novacek in the line-up, and Schober at the '3' [position] it gave us some size, which gave Army a problem," Fedorjaka said.

Novacek responded to her first career start with her best game of the season, securing a game- and career-high 13 rebounds, along with a

boost from the much-needed return of leading scorer Amanda Brown '09 from a foot injury. Brown paid immediate dividends for the Orange and Blue, playing 21 minutes off of the bench and scoring seven points. This included back-to-back baskets, a three-pointer and a jumper with three minutes and 56 seconds remaining in the game that extended the team's lead from

attempts.

Novacek blocked a shot with 19 seconds left and the team up three, but Army responded with a lay-up with 4.3 seconds left following a missed free throw by Kristina Collymore '09 to cut the score to 47-46. The Bison turned the ball over when trying to inbound the ball under their own basket, but fortunately the Black Knights gave it right back. Keshia Champion '08 missed a free throw following a successful inbound pass and an Army foul, but there was not enough time left for the Black Knights to get off a potential winning shot.

Schober scored a team-high 16 points before fouling out in the game's final minutes, the only player for the Bison to achieve double-figures in the scoring column.

The Orange and Blue came away with the win in the defensive struggle thanks to their rebounding and strong defense, causing Army to shoot just 28.6 percent from the field and make only one of 12 three-point attempts. The Bison did turn the ball over 19 times and make just six out of 13 free throw attempts.

The Orange and Blue begin the second half of Patriot League play with back-to-back home games, hosting Navy on Saturday at 7 p.m. and American on Wednesday, also at 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball Patriot League standings

Team	Conference	Pct.	Overall
Holy Cross	5-2	.714	12-10
Army	5-2	.714	14-8
Lehigh	5-2	.714	13-9
Bucknell	4-3	.571	9-12
Lafayette	4-3	.571	12-10
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career-high seven points in 34 minutes of action. Foster grabbed 10 rebounds of her own, and the Bison matched Army rebound-for-rebound, each team finishing the game with 40.

Novacek knew that her role coming into the game was to rebound.

"That was one of our goals coming into Army," she said. "We just needed to attack the glass this game."

The Bison also received a

one to six, 44-38.

Foster, who tallied eight points, added a pair of free throws with 2:56 left to extend the lead to eight, but poor Bison execution down the stretch made the game closer than was necessary.

After Foster's free throws, the Orange and Blue combined to commit two turnovers, miss three of four free throws (including the front ends of two one-and-one attempts) and two field goal



Saylor Says

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

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First year profile: Rebecca Frey

By CONNIE BARKO
Senior Writer

This weekend at the Akron Open for indoor track and field, Rebecca Frey '11 placed seventh in the gold division by clearing a height of 11-6 in the pole vault. Previous to this finish, she accumulated two Rookie of the Week honors. The first was for her second-place performance at the Bison Opener on Dec. 1, and the second for a first-place finish in the Golden Relays on Jan. 12. In both meets, Frey achieved an ECAC-qualifying height of 11-9 3/4. She is already ranked fourth on Bucknell's Top 10 list for the pole vault.

"Becky was instantly an asset to the team," said teammate and fellow pole vaulter Ashley Curry '08. "We graduated our most successful pole vaulter in school history, Melanie Buczek, in 2007, and Becky was quick to fill her shoes. She is already making a name for herself and gaining recognition in the Patriot League."

The most important aspect of this is her first year of actually training for the vault, Assistant Coach Bobby Wilson said who works with the pole

vaulters. "In high school she only vaulted. Now she is running and lifting and I have watched her blossom into one of our best athletes on the team."

In addition to excelling in college athletics, Frey has also been able to easily make the transition in academics, even while she is majoring in civil engineering. She enjoys the challenge of multi-tasking.

"It hasn't been that bad yet," Frey said. "I was used to being really involved in things in high school. I really enjoy it actually."

One of the differences that Frey has encountered is the closeness of the team. In her high school, the pole vaulters would train separately. At the University, Frey has enjoyed the mentorship of senior pole vaulters as well as other members of the team. Frey's attitude and actions have also contributed to the team cohesion.

Fellow pole vaulter Alyson Cobb '09 said, "Becky is always positive and helpful. She is a great friend and teammate because she is always

around to help people out."

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The trio of Aj Kizekai '10, Andrew Yehl '10 and Drew Fitzgerald '11 put together career-best times in their respective events. In the gold division, Kizekai placed 12th in the 60-meter dash preliminary heat, posting the second-fastest time in Bison history with 7.07. Yehl ran an 8.38 in the 60-meter hurdles, while Fitzgerald placed second in the high jump, clearing a height of 6-6.

On the women's side, the Bison had similar success with record-breaking performances from Kati Dempsey '09, Hanson-Hall and Victoria Gilbert '08. Dempsey cleared a distance of 5-5 in the high jump to

"The men's track and field looks very strong. This is the most well-rounded team that I've been a part of



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Is hooking up the new dinner date?

By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

Think of the last time you went on a date—a real date off campus and not "hanging out" in a dorm room. Can't remember? Never have?

Many students feel dating is now defunct, and spend time with possible romantic interests when they're asked to "hang out" on a weekend or after class. Unlike one-on-one dating, when it comes to hanging out there may not be any tell-tale signs of what the potential suitor has in mind—a platonic or romantic relationship.

There is even a University Facebook group, "Um... it's called a 'Date,'" which asks what has become of such romantic rendezvous.

So is dating dead?

Deborah Abowitz, associate professor of sociology, says no. This generation of college-aged students date, but the style of dating has changed from the traditional one-on-one outings that it used to be.

"College students seem to go on dates in groups now. But it might not be called a date, and there's much less emotional risk," she said.

Hanging out or going out in groups is a way for "relationships to bud," said Sara Jenks '10.

"It's like getting to know someone without the pressures of being a girlfriend or boyfriend... it seems natural," she said.

However, according to Abowitz, hanging out in a group setting can lead to hook-ups, and both hanging out and hooking up are acts that can leave those involved unclear about where they stand in a relationship.

"Ambiguity seems to be something people want," she said.

Some might see this strategy of getting to know possible love interests as a way to protect themselves from feeling rejected if nothing happens or if a relationship doesn't materialize. It also doesn't require planning, whereas a date at the

movies or dinner requiring reservations would.

"Hanging out casually fits the culture of easy gratification that has emerged," Abowitz said.

"College kids are about the here and now," Melissa Ravely '08 said.

Jason VerNooy '08 thinks the dating culture has drifted from one-on-one dates on the town to hanging out in dorms because it's cheaper and easier than thinking of ideas for dates.

"I think most people just hang out, and more commonly now you would meet someone at a party or something and then start dating," he said.

But students may also want to keep their options open, and dating seems like something to do when you're closer to settling down, said Ravely. Dating, she said, is not gone, but is just something more

common after college graduation.

"I just don't think people of our age group go on dates; it's a thing to do when you're older and closer to finding 'the one' and settling down," Ravely said.

Efua Offieba Hanson-Hall '08, a member of the Facebook group, said casually hanging out can help determine if a relationship should go further.

"Since most people are still looking for some sort of relationship, 'hanging out' with another person allows them to have that without the seriousness of a date until they are ready to be serious," she said. "Our culture is also very different from the culture of our parents. I feel like when they went on a date there was a certain style to it. The man called the woman and you know the rest."

Jenks and Abowitz also both said the style of dating prevalent among college-aged students' parents and grandparents is not common today.

"You don't really hear about cute things like pinning ceremonies anymore," Jenks said. "Sometimes my mom will mention a date she went on and I think... today people would be more concentrated on hooking up."

Abowitz said when she started teaching at the University in 1985, the term "hooking up" was common lingo among students.

Today, she examines changing patterns of courtship, dating and marriage in a capstone class, Matting and Marrying.

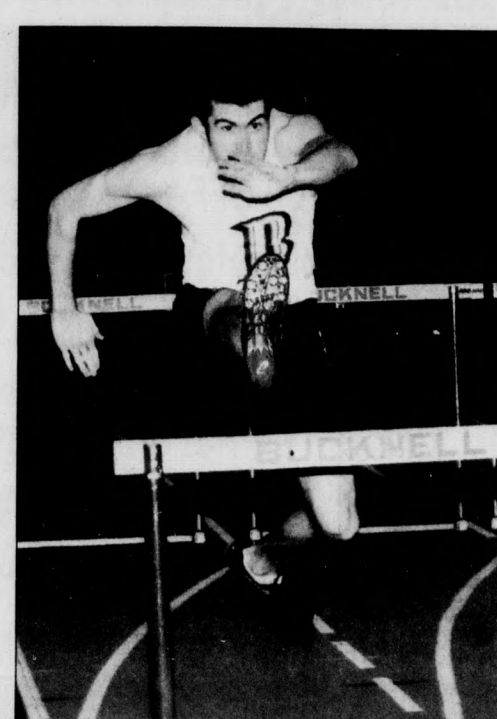
"Seniors need a chance to talk openly with each other about these issues—issues that have an immediacy in their lives here in the Bucknell bubble and beyond," Abowitz said.

Gone are the Brady Bunch days when guys would see a "groovy chick" and ask her out to the pizza parlor, but some students would like to see them come back.

"Whether or not dating will make a comeback, I can't say," Hansen-Hall said. "All I know is that I would love it if dating was revived."



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Sean Coyne '10 powers over a hurdle. The Bison will host the Bucknell Winter Classic.

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Orange and blue relinquish late advantage against EIWA foe

Bison wrestling loses final three matches of meet and falls 21-16 to Columbia in N.Y.; now 7-9-1 overall

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

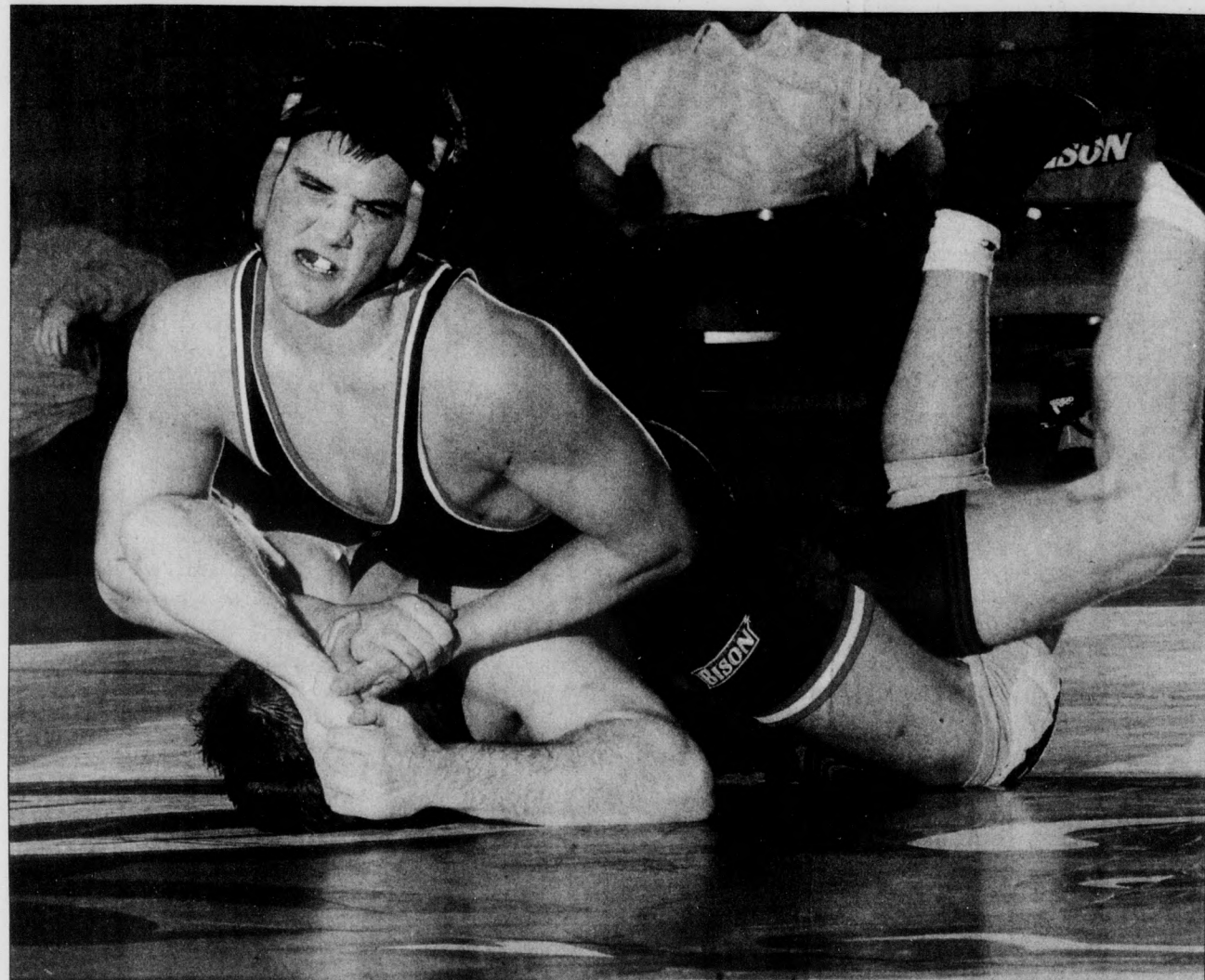
The wrestling team lost its third straight conference road match Friday as they fell 21-16 to Columbia. The Bison earned bonus points in three of their four wins, but were unable to overcome losses in five of their final seven individual bouts. The Bison now sit at 7-9-1 overall and 2-3 in EIWA matches.

"The disappointing part of the loss is that we lost three one-point matches," Head Coach Dan Wirsberger said. "Those are matches we must win, and we pride ourselves on winning."

Columbia jumped out to an early 6-0 lead when Brandon McKinney pinned Greg Hart '10 in the last nine seconds of the match. After just two matches the Bison would take the lead back with bonus point wins by No. 19 Dave Marble '10 and Luke Chohany '10.

Marble rebounded after a disappointing pin last week with a dominant 21-6 technical fall decision over Jerome Greco in the 133-pound bout. In the very next match, 141-pound Chohany earned a major decision, 13-4, over Nick Standish to give the Bison a 9-6 overall lead.

Columbia tied the score at 9-9 with a 3-2 Anthony Constantino decision over Kevin LeValley '11 in the 149-pound match. In the 157-pound weight class, Matt Dunn reclaimed a 12-9 lead for the Lions with a 4-3 deci-



Shane Riccio '10 gains position on an opponent in a recent home match. Riccio currently boasts an 11 match win streak and is seeking his first career NCAA tournament berth.

decision over Brantley Hooks '10.

Once again the Bison responded to their deficit with two straight wins.

This time No. 19 Andy Rendos '10 and

Shane Riccio '10 answered the call. First, Rendos scored a 14-3 major

decision over Victor Mocco in the 165-

pound weight class. Then, at 174, Riccio shut out Travis Creagan, 7-0, to

help the Bison back to a 16-12 lead in the match.

Riccio and Rendos, along with Chohany, remain undefeated in EIWA competition, while Riccio extends his dual meet win streak to 11 straight matches.

"Shane Riccio is on fire right now," Marble said. "He is really starting to pick it up and look like he's going to the national tournament."

The Lions proved to be too strong down the stretch, sweeping the final three matches to earn the win.

At 184, David Thompson '11 fell to Kenji Porter by a 3-1 margin. Columbia took an 18-16 lead as Sean LoCurto '10 was bested 5-2 by Nick Sommerfield in the 197-pound bout. In the final bout, heavyweight George Hingson '10 was defeated 3-2 by Jed Wade to seal a 21-16 Columbia victory.

"We must make adjustments and improvements at 184,197 and heavy-weight," Wirsberger said. "Right now that is the major difference for us in duals."

With just four matches remaining, the Orange and Blue look to use a three-match home stand to tighten up before the postseason and prepare their top wrestlers for the EIWA and NCAA tournaments.

"The month of February is a time to concentrate on our individuals," Wirsberger said. "We will make minor adjustments technically and get these guys feeling as healthy and fresh as possible."

The team will host Lock Haven Feb. 8 at 7 p.m. in Davis Gym.

Swimming teams take part in Navy Invitational

By ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

The Bison men and women swimming and diving teams packed their bags and headed to Annapolis, Md. for a final tune-up last weekend before Patriot League Championships begin Thursday, Feb. 21.

The meet, coined the Navy Invitational, saw men's and women's squads from Navy, American, Lafayette and UVA compete.

Although this was a non-scoring meet, Molly Goebel '11 explained the meet as an opportunity to race at Navy, which is where Patriots are held, and to see three different Patriot League teams (Lafayette, Navy and American).

The women's team participated in swimming events they were not accustomed to competing in.

The team saw Courtney Warren '10 have the best showing of the day with a bronze in the two hundred meter backstroke clocking a time of two minutes and 10.56 seconds.

Other notable performances of the day were by

Megan Mongan '10 and Abigail Atkinson '10 who both cracked the top 10 in the 500M and one hundred meter breaststroke, respectively.

The Bison women saw a sixth and seventh place finish in the 100-meter fly from Susan Horstmann '09 at 1:01.22 and Mongan at a close 1:01.26.

An outstanding two event performance was seen from Sarah Pease '10 who was the top finisher in both the 200 free (ninth place) and the 50, free (11th place).

Also cracking the top 10 this weekend were Goebel who saw success in the 100 free coming in eighth and Macey Keath '11 who paced herself to ninth in the 400M.

The men's team took nearly the same strategy as the women's team.

Gonzalo DeLeon '11 said, "most of the guys, including myself are not swimming our normal events but are just getting a good look at the Navy Pool where our biggest meet of the year is."

Even though the meet was low key for the Bison, great performances were still executed by many swimmers

including David Iselin '10, who was fourth in 1650 free, reaching the side of the pool after a grueling 16 minutes and 44 seconds in the water.

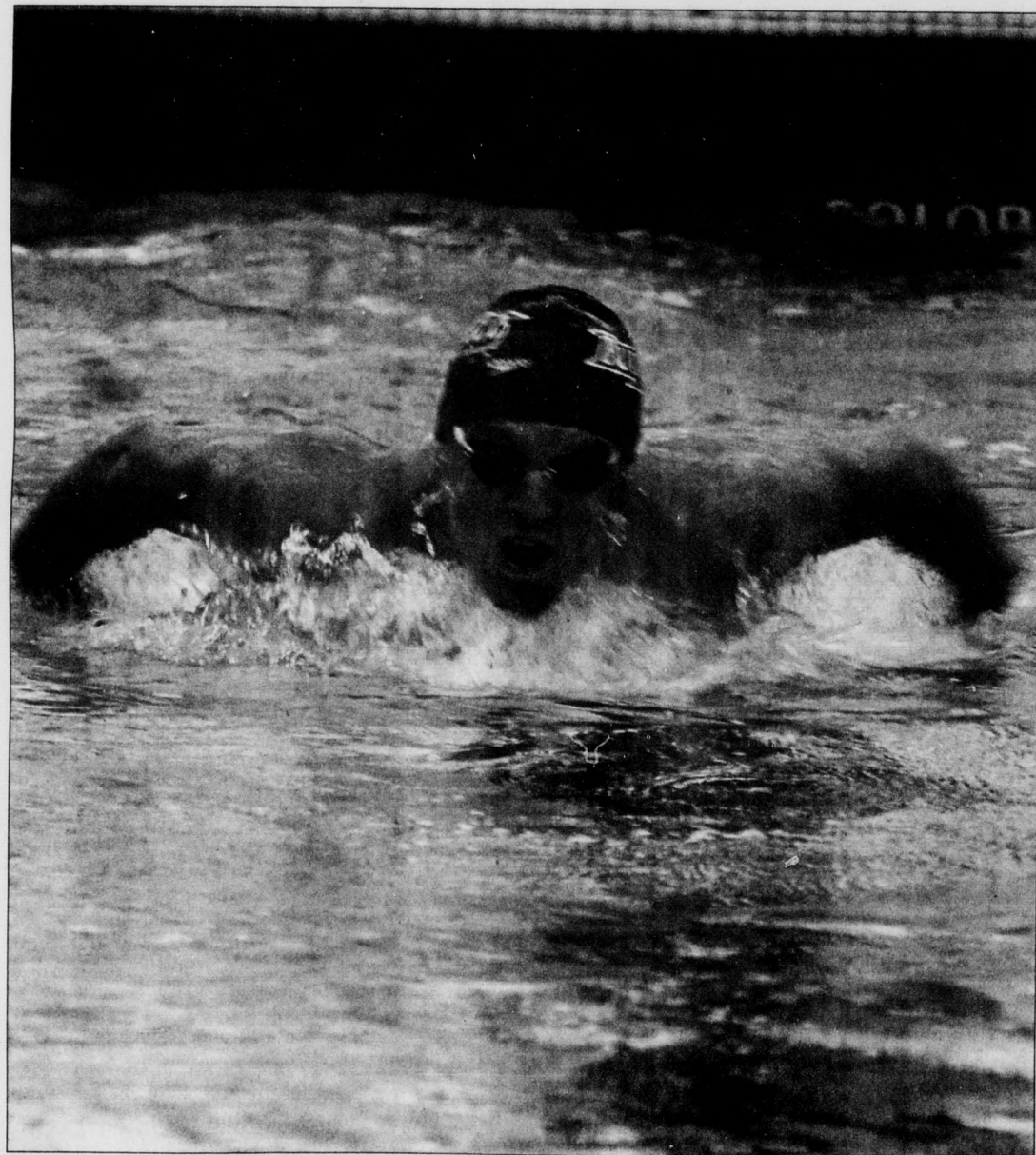
Daniel Fletcher '10 was a two-event placer for the Bison with a fifth place finish in the 100 back and ninth in the 100 fly, both top finishes for the team.

Four seniors placed in the top 10 in the meet led by John Peterman '08, sixth in the 50 free, followed by Grant Steadman '08, seventh in the 100 breast and Bradford Bennett '08, seventh in the 200M.

Theo Leriottis '08 was the top finisher in the 400 IM taking home a tenth place finish in a time of four minutes and 15 seconds.

The team will not compete now until their championship meet at Navy in three weeks.

The meet may seem daunting for some first-years; Goebel realizes that "it is a little intimidating at times thinking that all the training we've done all year comes down to one meet, but at the same time, it's also very exciting, and we all feed off of that."



Luke Trafton '10 competes in the individual medley. The Bison will have a three-week hiatus before traveling to Annapolis, Md. to participate in the Patriot League Championships.

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2008 men's lacrosse season preview

By WE'S TROWBRIDGE
Sports Editor

The No. 15 men's lacrosse team expects to field one of its best teams in school history this season as it returns nine out of 10 starters from a squad that surprised the country by winning 11 games in 2007 season. The Orange and Blue received their highest-ever ranking by both the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) preseason coaches' poll

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— Tim Brandau '09

(No.15) and the Inside Lacrosse preseason rankings (No. 17).

In their first preseason action on Feb. 2, the Bison defeated No. 8 Notre Dame 10-9 in South Bend in a game that said a lot about the potential of this young team. The team's goals include an NCAA Tournament bid, a top-ten ranking and an end to Navy's four-year run as Patriot League champions.

"We're a talented young team with great players, great leadership and we expect to be the best lacrosse team that the University has ever had," attackman Tim Brandau '09 said. The Bison defense ranked second in all of Division I last season, allowing

just 6.33 goals per game and the Bison will return goalkeeper Nick Sciubba '09 who led the nation in save percentage (.641) and goals against average (6.24). Another key defensive player for the Bison will be Billy Haire '09, the University's top close defenseman from 2007 when he was a First Team All-Patriot League selection.

Co-captain Evan Burns '08 and Tom Izard '09, both standing at 6'4" and over 210 pounds will make for a physically-imposing starting defensive unit. Alex Lyons '11, from high school lacrosse powerhouse Boys' Latin, was rated seventh-best defender in the incoming first-year class by Inside Lacrosse and should see playing time at defense and long-stick middle.

Attackman Austin Winter '10 joins Sciubba and Haire to complete the Bison's trio of Preseason All-American Honorable Mention selections. Winter quickly became the Orange and Blue's most dangerous weapon on offense last season, ranking eighth in the country in assists per game and 24th in points per game on his way to Patriot League Rookie of the Year honors.

With 27 goals last season, Brandau combined with Winter as one of the most dangerous offensive tandems in the Patriot League. Rejoining the team will be Joe Mele '10, former Patriot League Rookie of the Year and Second Team All-Patriot League selection last season despite missing the final six games with a torn ACL. Finally, newcomer Mike Danylyshyn '11, an Inside Lacrosse "Top 100 Incoming Freshmen" selection should see significant playing time at attack and mid-field.

At midfield the Bison will start an experienced group in Perry Menzies '09, John Tognieri '09 and Co-captain Nick Marks '08. Menzies is a true gunner for the Bison scoring 19 goals last season, leading the team in shots and

possessing a 100-mph shot. He also earned preseason All-Patriot League honors this season.

Marks, entering his third consecutive season as a first line midfielder, and Tognieri, a converted attackman, will also serve as offensive threats for the Orange and Blue. Co-captains Andrew Goodhand '08 and Mark Lane '08 will be expected to contribute significant playing time as two of the Patriot League's top short-stick defenders.

In 2007, the Bison entered the season unranked but reached as high as No. 11 in the USILA coaches' poll before dropping an 11-10 heartbreaker to Colgate in the Patriot League Tournament and missing out on a potential NCAA tournament bid.

"We understand that a lot of the teams we play might have more talent," Burns said. "But we're going to win by playing harder, smarter and tougher than them."

The Orange and Blue have very challenging schedule this season, including six teams ranked in the top

20 in Inside Lacrosse's preseason rankings. Their season opener with 2007 National Championship Runner-ups and preseason No. 2 Duke on Feb. 16 will be a true test for the Bison. The team remains optimistic about their chances after defeating Navy and Maryland in the last three seasons.

"We'll find out very quickly how good we are when we travel to Duke for our first game," Burns said. "Some teams might sweat it, but we have a knack for playing up to our competition."



Perry Menzies '09 runs around a Holy Cross defender. Last season Menzies tallied 19 goals and one assist, placing him fifth on the team in points and fourth in goals.

Orange and blue rally past Colgate in overtime

Darryl Shazier '11 hits buzzer beater to force extra session and lifts Bison past Raiders in Hamilton, N.Y.

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

Coming off its most lopsided home loss since falling 79-60 to nationally-ranked No. 4 Villanova on Dec. 6, 2005, the Bison basketball team rebounded in a big way, capturing

a 91-85 overtime win over Colgate in Hamilton, N.Y. on Wednesday.

Sunday's 68-52 loss against Army at Sojka Pavilion was the second consecutive home defeat for the Bison, who have just two remaining regular-season home con-

tests this season.

The importance of the win over Colgate (11-11, 3-5 in the Patriot League) was not lost on the Bison (10-12, 5-3) as the second half of conference play began with all eight teams within three games of each other.

"It was one [win] we really needed," co-captain John Griffin '08 said in a post-game radio interview. "When we get back in the gym with [Head] Coach [Pat] Flannery [80] he is going to be happy. We were disappointed after Sunday because we didn't play how we know how to play."

Flannery continues to take time off from his coaching duties while dealing with medical issues. A time table for his return is not known. Assistant Coach Nathan Davis is serving as acting head coach in Flannery's stead.

The Bison overcame a number of obstacles to win Wednesday night's contest, in addition to Flannery's absence. Josh Linthicum '09 missed his eighth straight game with a knee injury. Jason Vegotsky '09 did not play, with an alleged ankle injury; and the biggest obstacle of all was the eight-point deficit the team faced with two minutes and 29 seconds left to play.

Seven free throws—five by Griffin and two by Stephen Tyree '10—cut Colgate's lead to 72-69 with 23 seconds left to play. Daniel Waddy missed two free throws for the Raiders that could have potentially put the game away, and Tyree's offensive rebound off of a missed Griffin three with five seconds left gave the Orange and Blue one final chance to send the game to overtime.

The Raiders double teamed Griffin off of the inbound, but he was able to find Darryl Shazier '11 in the corner, and the first-year guard drained a three-pointer at the overtime to send the game into an extra session.

Overtime was a back-and-forth affair, featuring 10 lead changes and three ties. Despite six points from Tyree, a jumper by Shazier and a three from Griffin the Orange and Blue trailed 84-83 with 33 seconds left. Griffin then nailed a deep jump shot with his foot on the line while being fouled, and the three-point play gave the Orange and Blue an 86-84 lead. The senior would add two more

Men's Basketball Patriot League Standings			
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Navy	3-4	.429	10-12
Colgate	3-5	.375	11-11
Holy Cross	2-6	.250	11-10

The Orange and Blue rallied to win this game thanks to some outstanding individual efforts. Griffin scored a career-high 31 points, the most points a member of the team has scored in a game since Kevin Bettencourt '06 scored 42 in a losing effort against Saint Francis (Pa.) on

and a career-high seven rebounds) that caused problems for Colgate at the end of the game.

"Colgate always plays with the two big men, so we wanted to play a little different and change the game," Tyree said. "Kind of like the Phoenix Suns. Of course I'd never compare us to them."

Shazier added that the team's smaller look helped them at both ends of the floor.

"We got some fast break opportunities that we usually don't get, but that comes from playing some pressure defense," he said.

The team's high spirits following the win were in direct contrast to the way it felt Sunday after the loss to Army. There were few positives to take from that game, as the Black Knights shot 51.2 percent from the field against

the Bison, shot twice as many free throws (24 to 12) and forced 24 turnovers. Griffin was the lone Bison to score in double-figures against Army, finishing with 17 points.

"There is no excuse we can make that can justify what we did today," Davis said. "We have got to be a better team Wednesday than we were today."

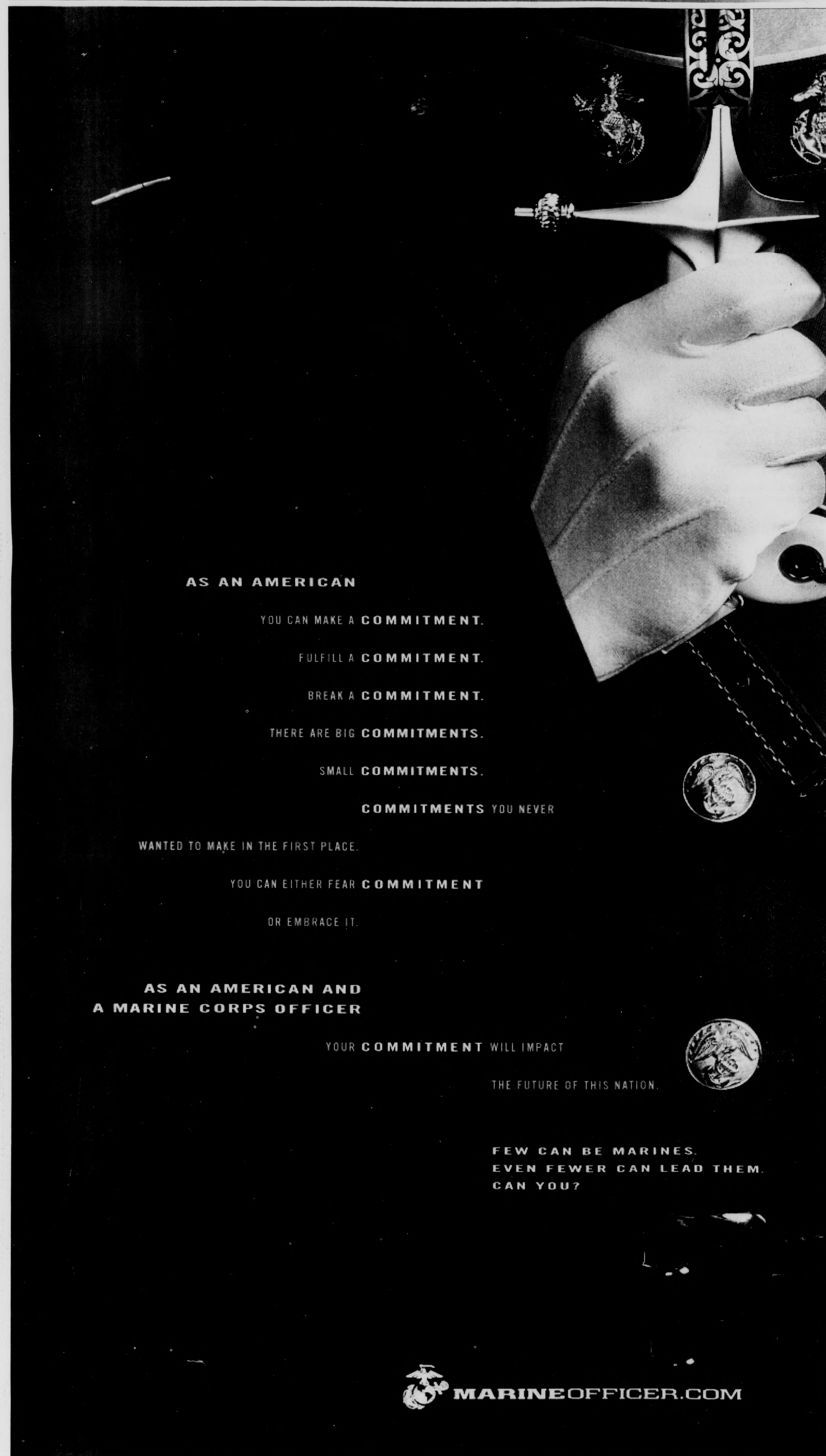
He also said, "There is not anyone we can't beat when we have our heads straight and not anyone we can beat when we don't."

The team will try to use the win over the Raiders as a rallying point as it plays the next two games away from Sojka Pavilion, Saturday the Bison will be in Annapolis, Md. to battle Navy before traveling to the nation's capital to play American on Wednesday.



Rob Thomas '08 skies for an athletic reverse layup in his team's loss to Army. Thomas has started the last four games for the Bison and is averaging 5.2 points per game this season.

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Men's and women's tennis teams fall to Duquesne

Women's team drops to 0-2 on the season with loss

By JOHN MLODZINSKI
Senior Writer

On Saturday, Feb. 2, the University women's tennis team lost to Duquesne, 6-1, falling to 0-2 for the season. The team seemed slow at times and some of the players were dissatisfied with their performance, but Head Coach Rebecca Helt is not too concerned about her players' lack of timing and execution. "We train on a rubberized surface, then compete on hard court which is a much slower surface. It has a great affect on our timing and the players often come away from these early matches feeling as though they did not execute very well," Helt said.

It seemed as though the transition from a rubber surface to a hard court affected the players a lot more than any of them could have anticipated. Lauren Lucido '11 recorded the only point for the Bison as she defeated Johanna Bezak 6-2, 6-4 in the No. 1 singles match.

The rest of the team looked like they were trying to just get through the match as no one came close to winning a set. In the No. 2 singles spot, Carlin Calcaterra '10 was shutout by Zena Williams 6-0, 6-0. In the No. 3 singles match Dara Dwojewski '11 fell to Rachel McGowan 6-2, 6-2. Caitlin Baffa '08 was shutout in the No. 4 singles match 6-0, 6-0 against Rebecca Poole. In the No. 5 and No. 6 singles matches, Lauren Rottkamp '11 and Renee Weissend '10 fell to Andrea Sailor 6-3, 6-2 and Kristen Swenson 6-4, 6-1 respectively.

The doubles matches were as unkind to the Bison as they failed to pick up a single point. In the No. 1 doubles match, Paulina Gamboa '09 and Calcaterra fell to Bezak and McGowan 8-6. In the No. 2 doubles match, Baffa and Dwojewski fell to Williams and Poole 8-4. In the No. 3 doubles match, Lucido and Weissend fell to Alexandria Albano and Sailor 8-2.

It was a very tough weekend for the Bison. The play-

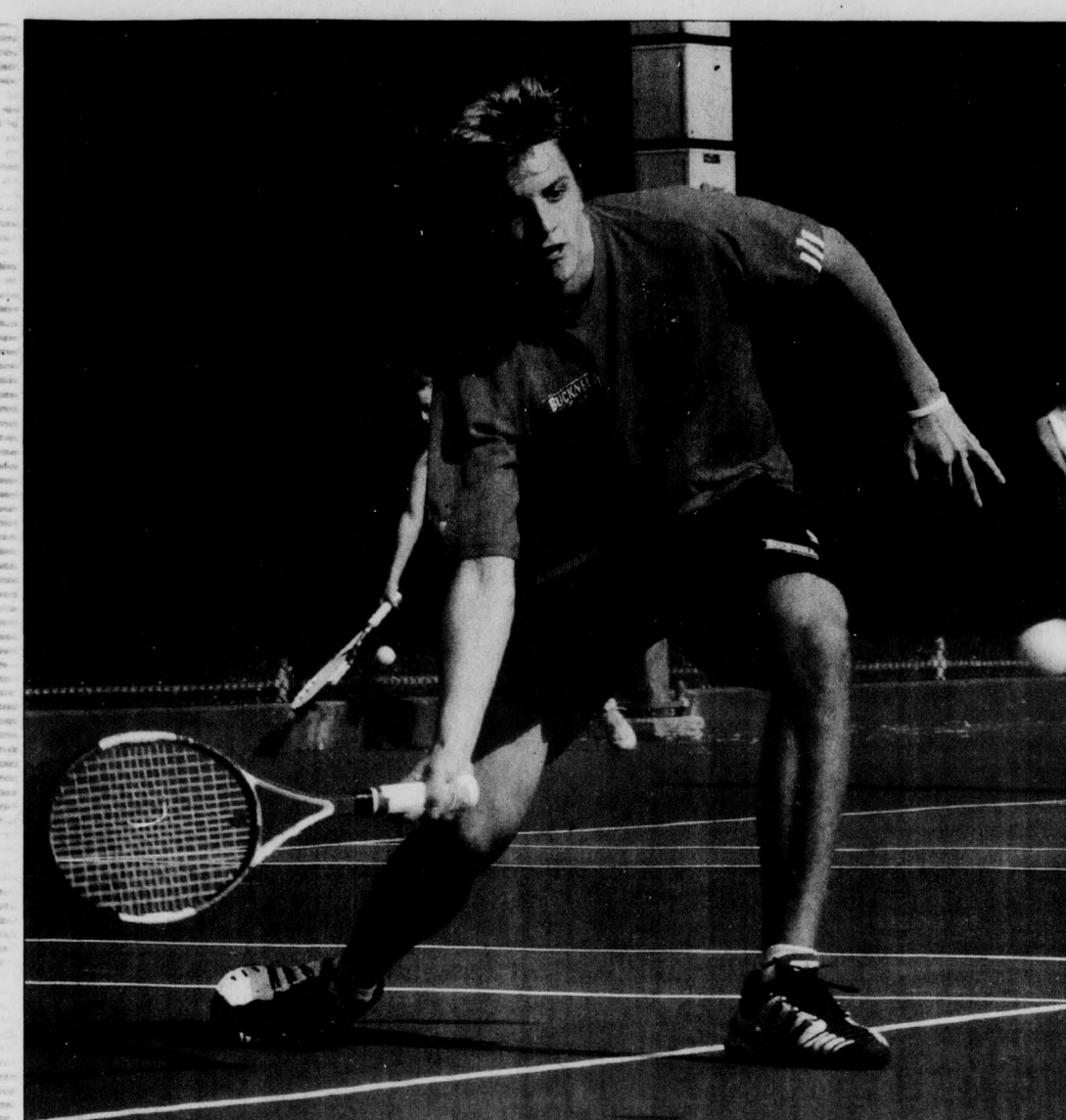
ers and coaches know they will improve as they adjust to the harder courts throughout the season. Right now they are focusing more on training than execution.

"The coaches have the job of keeping the players focused on the training, not the results right now ... Every year that I've been at Bucknell it's the same ... we start out rough, but by mid-spring we will look strong," Helt said.

The Bison return to action on Feb. 9, traveling to Ithaca, N.Y. to face Cornell and Quinnipiac.

"...Every year that I've been at Bucknell it's the same ... we start out rough, but by mid-spring we will look strong."

—Rebecca Helt,
head coach



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Anton Kovic '11 stretches for a low forehand in a recent home match. The men's tennis team will play Cornell today in Ithaca, N.Y. at 7 p.m.

By JORDAN BRODSKY
Staff Writer

The University's men's tennis team opened their 2008 campaign with a

6-1 loss Saturday against a solid Duquesne team. The lone singles win went to Ira Reibesen '08 who dispatched of Alex Mast of Duquesne 7-5, 6-1 at the first singles spot. Reibesen paired up with Anton Kovic '11 at the second doubles spot, and the two were defeated by the tandem of Mast and Mark Maciuch 8-5. Kovic, playing in the sixth singles slot, narrowly lost to Mikhael Rasner in three sets 4-6, 7-6 (11-9), 10-2. Ryan Sandburg '09 also lost his singles match in close fashion. Playing in the second singles spot, Sandburg fell to Michael Ortega 4-6, 6-4, 10-6. Sandburg played with Jonathan Brenner '09 in the first doubles spot and lost by the same score as the Bison's

second doubles team, 8-5. Brenner dropped his fourth singles match to Jeremy McClelland 6-3, 6-2.

In other singles action, Zach Hascoe '10, playing number three singles, was defeated by Zach Skorupka, 6-3, 7-5. On a positive note for Zach, he and doubles partner Mark Malloy '11 emerged out of the third doubles spot victorious with an 8-6 win over Jeremy McClelland and Steve Herchko. Unfortunately, Malloy met the same fate as Hascoe did in singles, losing to Mark Maciuch 6-0, 6-1 in the fifth singles spot.

Despite the opening match setback Reibesen, senior captain, is confident he and his teammates will pick up their play.

"My expectations for the team as a whole have not changed at all," Reibesen said. "I never judge the success and future of our season on our first match. I saw some things which I liked last weekend; however, for the

most part, I was very disappointed. I discussed what happened with my teammates, and we know what we need to do to move forward and are taking immediate steps to make the necessary changes."

According to Reibesen if there is one thing he and his teammates can do, it is emerge with a Patriot League Championship.

"There is only one key to winning PLs for us and that is working harder than every other team in our conference. There is no doubt in my mind that there are many good players on the team; however, every team has good players. Through our hard work, this team could be and should be great. I expect constant improvement from myself and my teammates and believe that by year end Bucknell will see what I see."

The Bison will return to action on Feb. 8, taking on Cornell in Ithaca, N.Y., at 7 p.m.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Caitlin Baffa '08 smashes a backhand. The Orange and Blue hope to rebound this weekend against both Cornell and Quinnipiac in Ithaca, N.Y.

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tor and columnist, Josh Herwitt '06. I was pleased to find an online article written about the University by an alumnus and former sports editor of The Bucknellian. I was shocked, though, with the conclusion of the piece, written on Jan. 22, that the Orange and Blue would be better off without Flannery manning the sidelines.

Everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion, and I appreciate that Herwitt gives multiple reasons to support his conclusion. However, I do not believe that Herwitt fully explores the reasons he lists as justification for Flannery being a detriment to the team. Herwitt focuses in large part on Flannery's sideline demeanor, and writes "sometimes I wonder if I'm watching a grownup or some whiny five-year-old stomp around on the sidelines, yell profanities left and right and contest every possible call made."

He continues on to write Flannery's actions have "hurt" the program that was reaching new heights by achieving a national ranking, winning back-to-back league titles and earning wins in the NCAA Tournament.

He laments, "But those days are long gone now, and it's Flannery to certainly thank—or blame—for that."

In the past two years the University has graduated five of the top players in program history in Kevin Bettencourt '06, Charles Lee '06, Abe Badmus '07, Donald Brown '07 and Chris McNaughton '07. This season the team was without its most experienced front-court player, Darren Mastropalo '08, for the first 12 games of the season; its top outside threat, Jason Vegotsky '09, for the first seven games; tri-captain Rob Thomas '08 for all but two minutes of nonconference games, and starting center Josh Linthicum '09 for the last eight games. Mastropalo is now playing at less than 100 percent, and Vegotsky did not play in Wednesday's game against Colgate due to what is believed to be a sore ankle.

Eight players have received their first career starts this season, including all three students of a top-notch first-year class. All of that being said, the team is

still 10-12 for the season and tied for second in the Patriot League with a 5-3 record.

Herwitt points to out-of-conference losses to Ohio, North Dakota State and Saint Bonaventure as evidence of the team's decline. In the national Ratings Percentage Index (RPI), Ohio was ranked in the top 50 at the time of Herwitt's writing. That was a home game we could of won, but fell short in at the end in Mastropalo's first game of the season.

The Orange and Blue played North Dakota State in the Golden Bear Classic right before New Year's, and came away with a tough loss to a veteran team of red shirts that will definitely be looking to make the NCAA Tournament in 2009, as it completes its transfer from a Division II school to Division I.

The loss at Saint Bonaventure is a loss that could have been avoided with some solid play down the stretch, and I agree it is a loss that should not have happened.

If Herwitt really wants to cite bad losses though, then how about the home loss to St. Francis (Pa.), a team with a 4-16 record as of Wednesday? This loss does not help the team's credibility, but Herwitt's failure to cite it, while mentioning the Ohio game, hurts his argument's credibility.

Herwitt believes the number one reason the Bison defeated Holy Cross was that "Flannery wasn't there."

He believes that "the baby" was a distraction for his team in that game, and "if the refs were any smart, they'd carry pacifiers with them the next time they hit the court with the apologetic Flannery."

Herwitt fails to take into account the injuries Holy Cross has suffered as of late as a possible reason for a Bison win. He is correct in crediting the players for coming together to win a tough road game against their marquee rival, but fails to acknowledge the players were appreciative of their coach standing up for them during the game, something both John Griffin '08 and Justin Castleberry '09 mentioned afterward.

Herwitt does not address why Flannery received the technicals, only that the players "deserve not be embarrassed by their coach and put in adverse situations because of his childish behavior."

ior." The article concludes that if Flannery has anything to be sorry about, it should be the team's nonconference losses.

Only if a coach has not given his best effort should he apologize for losing (or for that matter winning without an honest effort) a game. Nothing else.

Flannery's behavior following his ejection from the Holy Cross game was inappropriate. The league suspended him for a game, the coach apologized, and that is that.

The last three years have been the most successful in Bison basketball history, and currently being in the upper echelon of the league standings with a relatively young team (compared to the past two years) is nothing to have to apologize for.

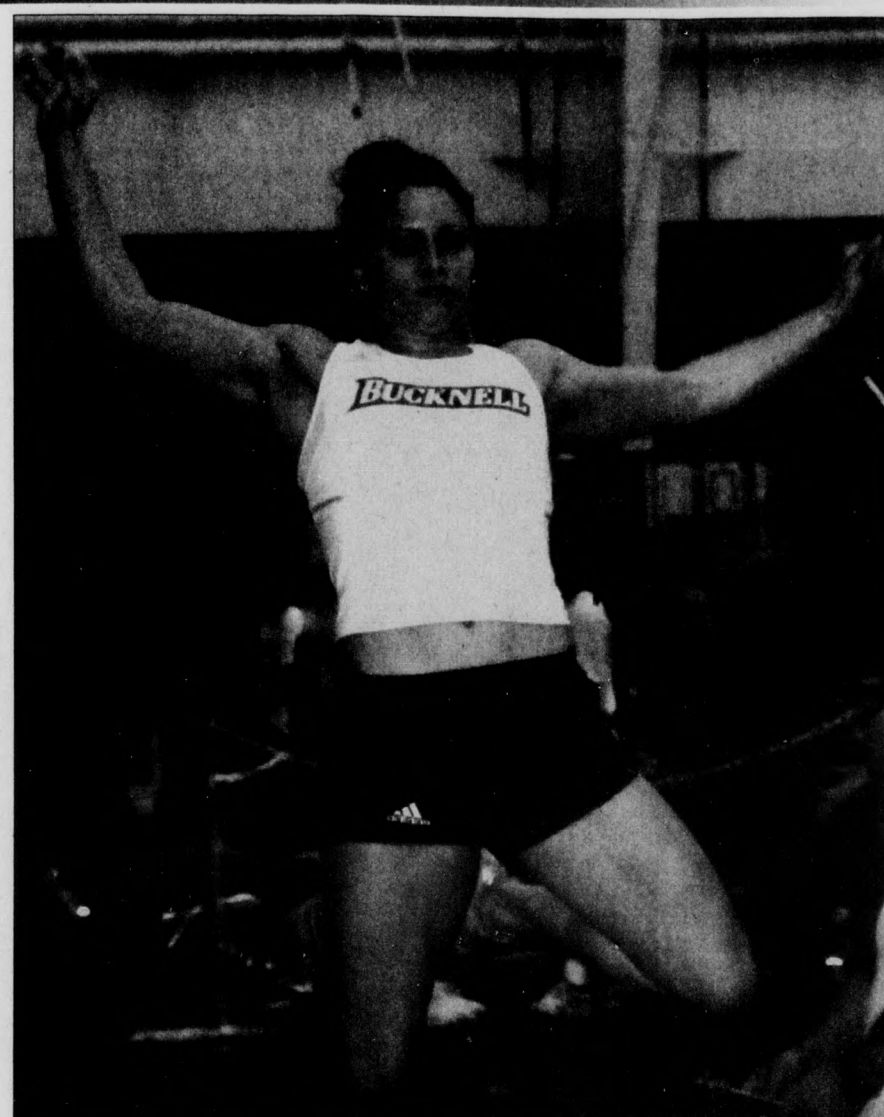
Perhaps Herwitt is embarrassed by the actions of Flannery and feels the University can do better, that Flannery has done all he can do with the team. As a journalist and as a person, he has every right to express his opinion, as I do mine.

If Herwitt spent more time discussing the team's play, recruitment or Flannery's actual coaching style, then I think his argument could be stronger. Flannery's recent sideline behavior and the team losing some out-of-conference games this season is not reason enough for such a drastic change.

Flannery is the same person this year as he was last year when the team went 6-7 prior to the start of league play with a healthier, more veteran, roster. I suppose the team's 22-9, 13-1 record at the end of the year was good enough for the athletics department to let the coach stay. It was the sixth most wins in program history.

The Bison have achieved a record of 83-35 over the last three plus seasons, including a 51-8 record against Patriot League competition (43-7 in the regular season, 8-1 in the Patriot League Tournament). Flannery's ties to and work within the community are well-documented, and his players are known for their success on the court and in the classroom.

Personally, I hope Flannery stays with the university for many more years, before he is snapped up by a larger program. That truly would be a reason to cry.



Katie Dempsey '09 soars through the air. Dempsey won the blue division high jump last weekend at the Akron Invitational.

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win the event in the blue division and enter the Bison record books as sixth all-time. Hanson-Hall earned fifth place honors in 800-meter run, crossing the finish line in 2:14.56. Her time was the seventh-best in school history, while Gilbert was close behind her, finishing the race in 2:15.83. She enters the record books as the 11th fastest in Bison history with her career-best time.

Amy Mantush '10 produced two top-10 performances in the high jump and long jump. In the high jump, Mantush placed fourth overall in the gold division, clearing a height of 5-4, while earning seventh-place honors in the long jump. Erin Crammer-Hart '08 placed third in the gold division of the 800-meter run in 5:04.42.

The Orange and Blue will be back in action Saturday, hosting the Bucknell Winter Classic. The meet begins at 10 a.m. in Gerhard Fieldhouse.

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will not end her season since she will continue to train outdoors for the remainder of the semester. She will also be competing in the ECAC Championships held in Boston in March. The expectations her coaches and teammates have for her future

are high, but realistic.

Coach Bobby Wilson said, "I expect her to become our school record holder and an NCAA D1 qualifier. I also expect her to vie for the ECAC Championships."

Watch Frey and her teammates Saturday, Feb. 9 at the Bucknell Winter Classic beginning at 10 a.m.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday

WRESTLING - Lock Haven, 7:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S TENNIS - Cornell, 7:00 p.m., Ithaca, N.Y.

Saturday

WOMEN'S TENNIS - Cornell, 9:00 a.m., Ithaca, N.Y. / Quinnipiac, 4 p.m.
MEN'S AND WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD - Bucknell Winter Classic, 10:00 a.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S TENNIS - Quinnipiac, 1:00 p.m., Ithaca, N.Y.
WOMEN'S WATER POLO - Marist, 11:30 a.m. / UC Santa Cruz, 3:45 p.m. / Colorado State, 7:45 p.m., Fort Collins, Colo.
MEN'S BASKETBALL - Navy, 7:00 p.m., Annapolis, Md.
WOMEN'S BASKETBALL - Navy, 7:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.

Sunday

WOMEN'S TENNIS - Syracuse, 10:00 a.m., Syracuse, N.Y.
ROWING - Erg Armageddon, 10:30 a.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
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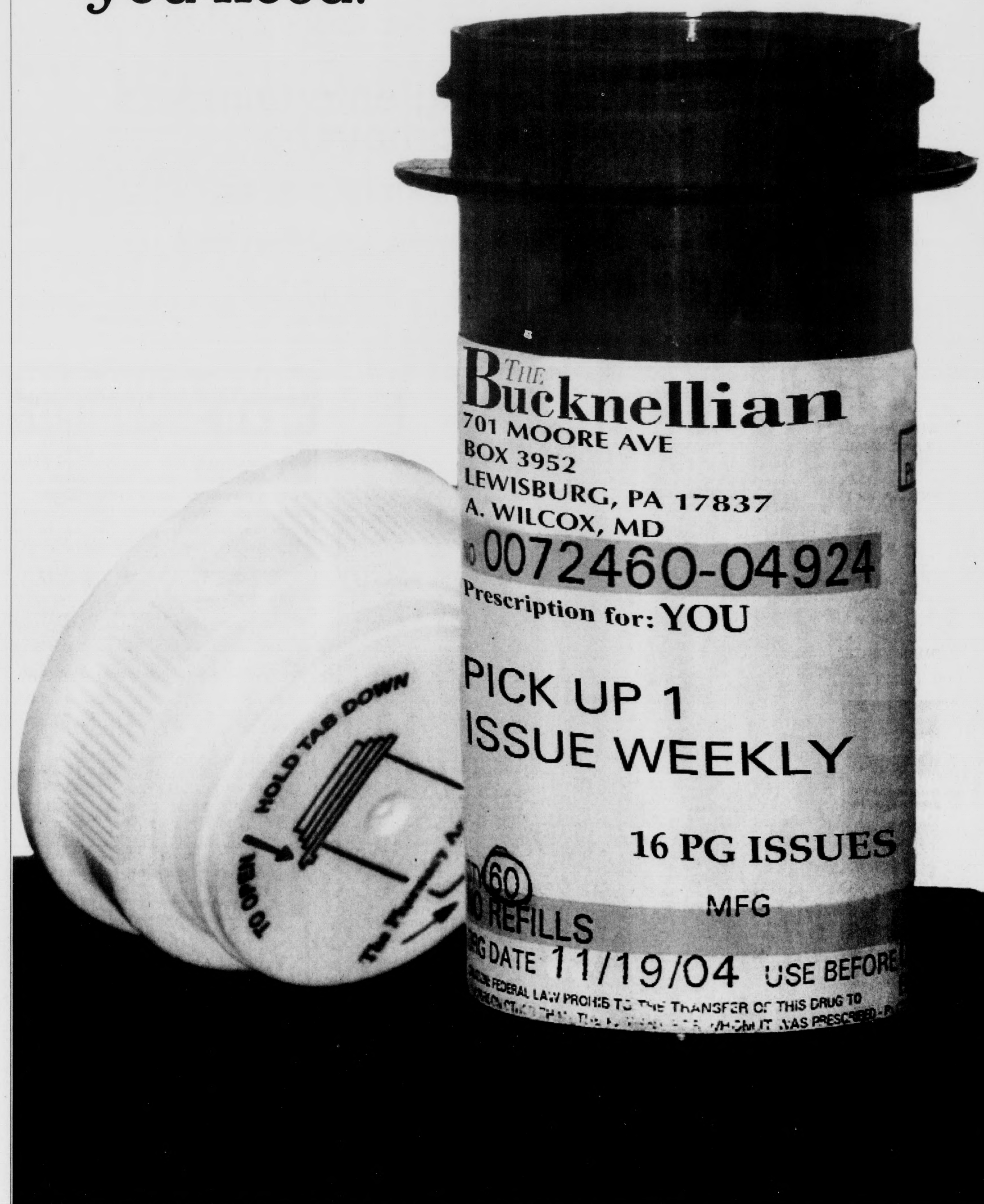
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Growing up in South Boston: a memoir

"All Souls: A Family Story from Southie" covers topics such as drug abuse, gang life and racism

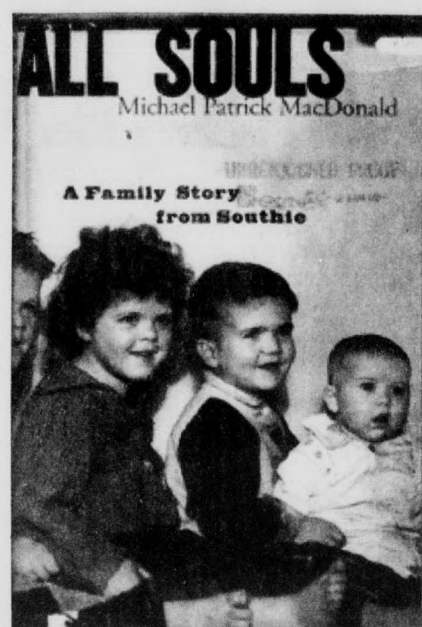
By JULIA FUCHS
Senior Writer

"All Souls: A Family Story from Southie" is the heartbreaking memoir of Michael Patrick MacDonald, growing up in the 1970s in arguably Boston's worst neighborhood. Food stamps are nearly his only means of eating, gangs are at his after school program and shootings are his bedtime lullaby.

MacDonald is the fourth of nine children. His mother, Helen, with a knack for finding abusive boyfriends, is a determined accordion player, struggling to supplement her welfare checks by playing local Irish pubs. His father, as with the various other fathers of his siblings, is out of the picture.

The family lives in a run-down row house in the Old Colony Projects of working-class South Boston, a predominantly white Irish-Catholic neighborhood notorious not only for its violent gangs and heavy drug use, but fierce pride and steadfast refusal to believe anything is wrong.

Unlike many of his siblings, four of whom end up dying because of drugs, suicide and being turned away from medical help, MacDonald manages to stay away from danger-



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ous activities. But when his "idol," the infamous Whitey Bulger, makes his debut in Southie, even a good kid like MacDonald is entranced by Bulger's charm and promising ways to "improve" life in the neighborhood and eliminate drugs. Actually an FBI informant, Bulger becomes a leading gangster and deepens the neighborhood's drug problem, eventually contributing to the deaths of

hundreds of young people.

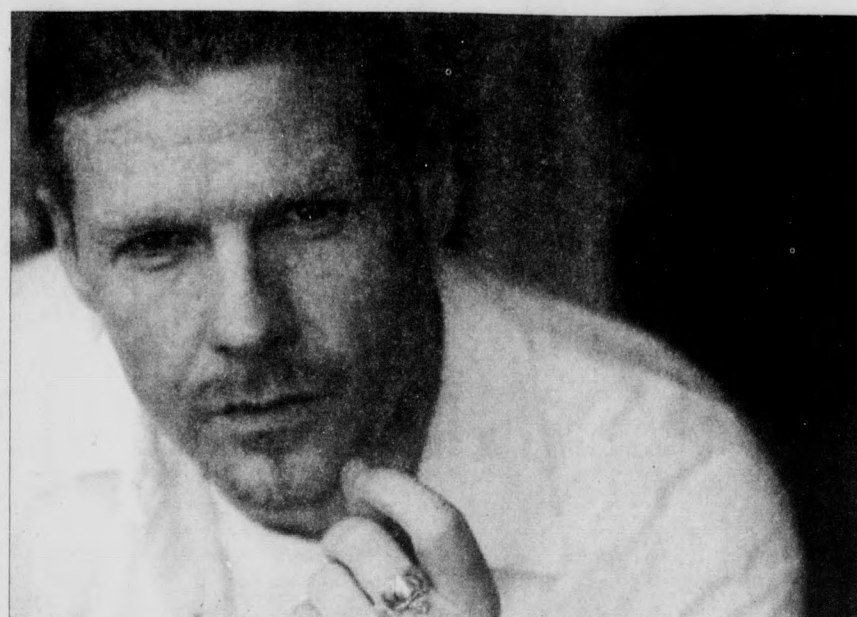
Unaware of the danger he is living in, MacDonald begins his descent into the inner circle of gang life. He starts out innocent enough, and Bulger is always to be looking out for this young child.

What most people would consider chilling events — suicide epidemics, cocaine addictions and shotgun fights in front of their houses, are all what make up daily life for MacDonald and his family.

As time goes by, the horrors start to stick to MacDonald: his brother's incarceration in a mental institution, his sister's permanent brain damage after being thrown off a roof in an argument over drugs, his brother's murder while trying to rob a truck ... the list goes on.

Determined to make it out alive, MacDonald organizes a gun buy-back program and starts programs for the neighborhood residents.

While the memoir describes the horrors of growing up in a violence-stricken neighborhood, MacDonald also covers another sensitive issue with frankness and detail: the forced busing situation of 1974. This is when Boston decided to reassign school districts to create diversity in the segregated city and bus black



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Irish-American author and activist Michael Patrick MacDonald uncovers the exploitation of Irish Catholic working communities in South Boston.

students from all around the city to the predominantly white schools.

This book takes the reader into the heart of urban poverty, exposing a harrowing truth told just the way it was experienced in neither a promoting nor renouncing voice. "All Souls" is a powerful story of hope and persistence.

It shows that even in the worst conditions, it is possible to come out on top and think of the past with a positive outlook. "I love South Boston. There's no place like it in the world ... the best place in the world," MacDonald said in an interview with The Boston Phoenix, arts and entertainment publication.

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Love and tragedy in 1930s London

"Atonement" is deep, rich and beautiful

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

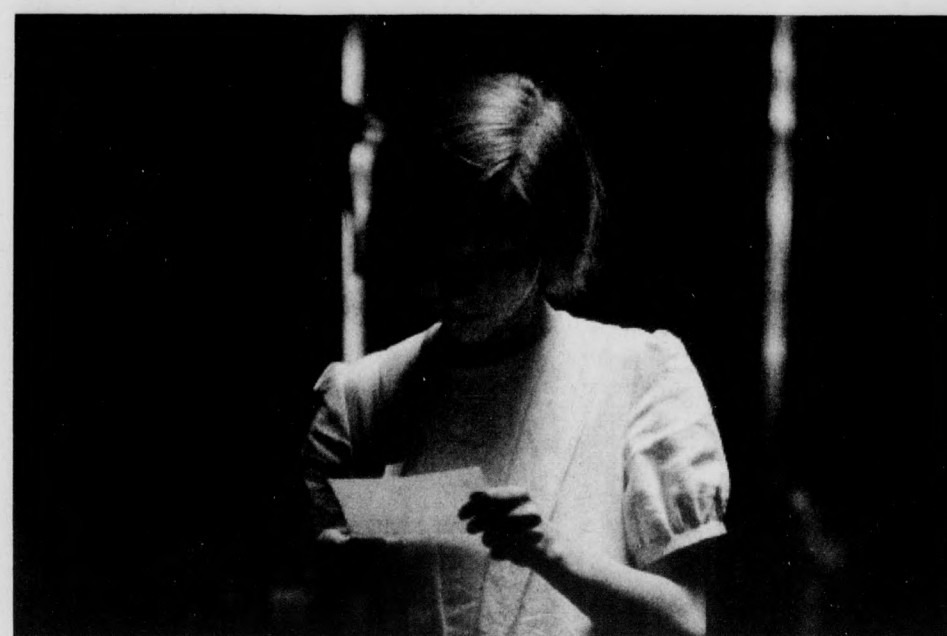
Perhaps it's the beautifully long takes or the exquisite detail in each scene. Perhaps it's the unique mode of storytelling, excellent acting or twisted plot. Regardless of what the "it" is, "Atonement" is a cinematic masterpiece that cannot be missed.

In spite of previews and trailers advertising "Atonement" as a love story, it is far from just that. "Atonement" is the tale of a young, presumptuous and naive girl's terrible error that alters the course of not only her own life, but that of her sister and her sister's lover as well.

The film opens with a shot of a replica of young Briony Tallis (Saoirse Ronan), an imaginative and demanding child who enjoys writing. It is 1935, in pre-war London, and Briony is greatly detached from the trials of war that are sure to come. An odd child, Briony is too young to fully understand the meaning of what she sees and often misconstrues it as something entirely different. These traits are foundations for the terrible tragedy that occurs and her desperate need to atone for her actions.

Confused at the budding romance she sees between her sister, Cecilia (Keira Knightley), and Robbie Turner (James McAvoy), a decent, but poor man whose mother serves the Tallis household, Briony commits an act that will change the way the chips in the game of life will fall. Jealous of her sister and perhaps determined to gain material for her next story, Briony accuses Robbie of a crime he did not commit, landing him in prison for the next few years.

The film then follows Robbie swiftly transitioning to his whereabouts four years later. He opts to serve in the war instead of remaining in jail. His deep and intense love gives him strength to persevere and return home to his beloved Cecilia, who writes him faithfully and is



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Atonement centers on the life of Briony Tallis, played by Saoirse Ronan (above). Ronan was nominated for an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress.

determined to serve her country in her own way. Their love is remarkable and enduring throughout their separation. It is a love, however, that is temperamental and, as a result, will have serious consequences for everyone, including Briony. The film is full of dreadful tension and anxiety that will keep an audience wanting more.

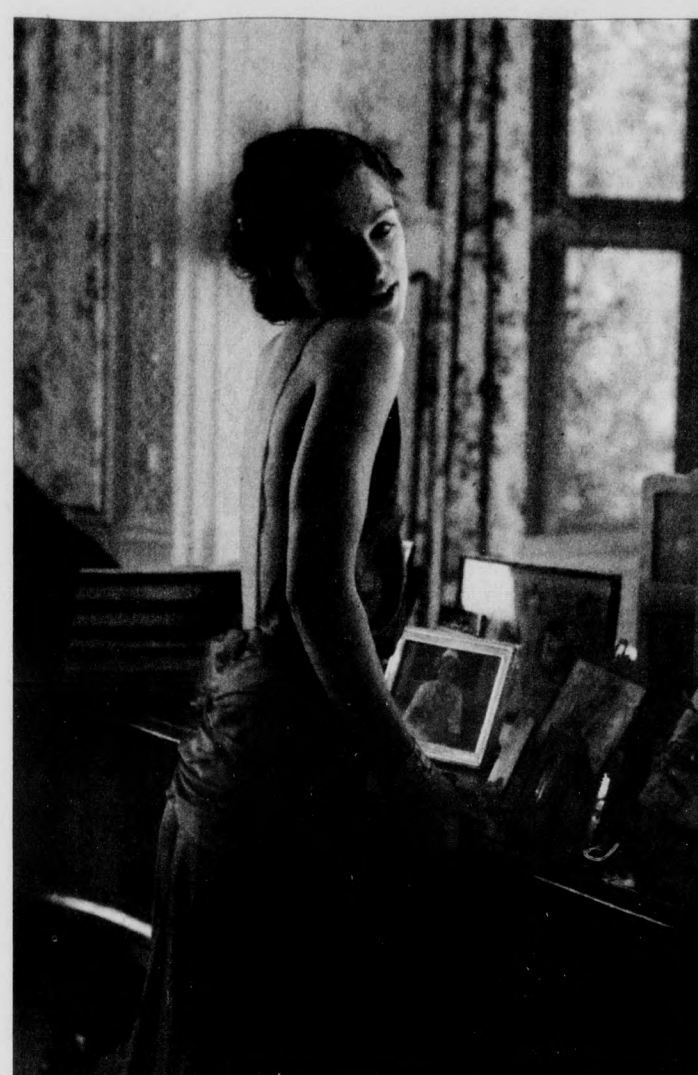
"Atonement," unlike many popular films these days, is deep, rich and beautiful. It is different in that the form of storytelling is discontinuous, with numerous flashbacks and peeks into the future. In addition, the movie links shots not with time (because their love is timeless), but with images. It transforms the novel by Ian McEwan into a visual masterpiece, worthy of all the praise it has so far received.

The movie's form may be confusing at first, but the story will clarify itself in the end. Its shots are long, artistic and carefully orchestrated. They are full of movement, intricate detail and brilliant color that capture the very essence of the time period and the tale. Costumes are another item worthy of praise in this film. They are tailored exquisitely to fit the film's needs, characters' personalities and set-

ting. Visuals aside, the film also features an excellent score and soundtrack. The score is perhaps one of the best in years, full of apt themes and motifs. It directs the audience to feel, to cry, and to rejoice. One of the best parts of the soundtrack is the incorporation of the sound of a typewriter, which is so critical to the plot itself. The clicking of a typewriter haunts and unifies the film as a whole.

Saoirse Ronan delivers an excellent performance as young Briony, as does Romola Garai as an older Briony. James McAvoy also portrays Robbie quite well throughout the story in intense love scenes to the terrible atrocities of war. McAvoy is convincing and fully committed to his role. On the other hand, Keira Knightley is barely in the film at all. Her role is insignificant in comparison to the other characters. Nevertheless, she is stunning as usual and an asset to the film.

Overall, "Atonement" is a film that should be seen, but only when a rush of intense sadness can be endured. It is beautiful and tragic — terribly demonstrative of war and love itself.



Courtesy of Internet Movie Database

Keira Knightley plays Cecilia Tallis, an English woman. Her younger sister's jealousy nearly destroys their family.



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James McAvoy and Keira Knightley star as fated young lovers in Atonement. McAvoy has also acted in such films as Becoming Jane and The Last King of Scotland.

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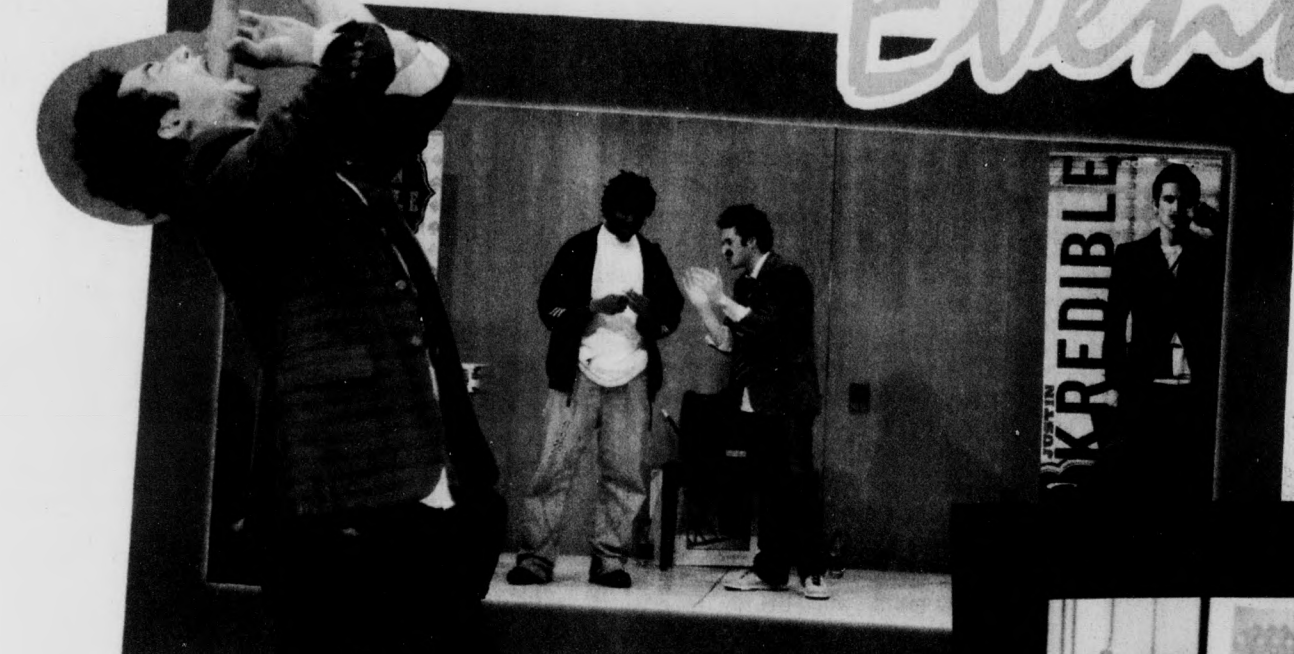
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Uptown hosted a two-on-two pool tournament Friday night at Uptown with a \$100 prize for the winners.



Comedian Jay Black was at the Bison. Black was nominated by Campus Activities Magazine for best comedy performance of the year.



A DMB & Tim Reynolds Cover Band played at Uptown Saturday night.

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Starr's album: new sound plus traditional Beatles flair equals mixed results

By RICHARD THORNBURGH
Writer

For the past four decades, The Beatles transformed and wooed audiences all over the world with their charm, sound and good looks. Perhaps its quietest member of the band would be Ringo Starr, the drummer and one of only two surviving members.

He has had a solo career since the early 1990s, and his new record, *Liverpool 8*, reminisces about growing up with the band. It brings a new sound to the music but also has some old Beatles flair to it.

The first song on the album, also the first single, is called "Liverpool 8." This is a good song

to start out with because it is only one of very few good songs on the CD. It keeps the listener with the rest of the disc.

This song also showcases the most lyrics about Starr's past and growing up with his friends in Liverpool. He says, "Went to Hamburg, the red lights were on/With George and Paul and my best friend John," obviously referring to the other members of the Beatles, George Harrison, Paul McCartney and John Lennon.

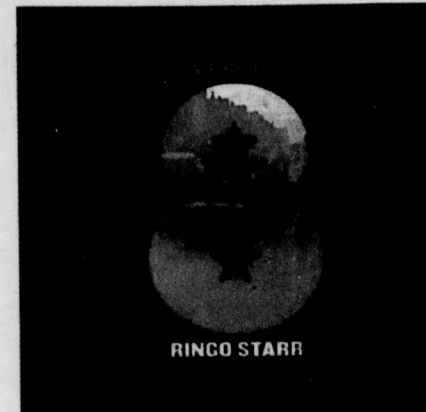
From there, the album goes up and down in terms of quality of music. "Think About You" is next, and is one of several lyrically dull songs needing to incorporate instruments to make it an acceptable

song. Next is my favorite, "For Love," which has a great and interesting sound from start to finish. Background singers help Starr with his best vocal performance on the album.

The next three or four songs were some that didn't strike me as great, but each brought something new, however small, to make them unique.

"Now That She's Gone Away" and "Give it a Try" seem to make me lose focus and kind of daze off, which doesn't make me like them any better.

My next favorite track is called "Harry's Song," which incorporates a great jazz guitar throughout, with



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a fun vocal element. It is something I feel I would hear at a Starbucks or at the 7th Street Café.

The last four songs of the album aren't some I would go out of my

way to listen to, except for "If It's Love That You Want," the most Beatles-sounding song that Starr brings to *Liverpool 8*. My least favorite might be the final song of the album, "R U Ready," a country song.

With the exception of five or six songs on the album, I'd say it wasn't my favorite record I've listened to recently. Yet, I'm glad Starr is still putting music out there, along with McCartney, giving fans of the hit English rock band some new material to embrace.

If you are a true follower of Ringo, I would recommend this for you.

For those who aren't: buy at your own risk.

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Mitchell makes pledge for a greener campus

By AHMED KODOUDA
Staff Writer

The University joins more than 475 other colleges in signing the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment, in order to do its part in bettering the environment.

A climate and environmental initiative was launched on Feb. 1 in order to "minimize greenhouse gas emissions, enhance environmental stewardship efforts, and foster the concepts of sustainability and environmental ethics in our curriculum."

These efforts were announced in the wake of the Jan. 31 Focus the Nation events. President Brian C. Mitchell also announced several steps the University would take to "protect the natural environment and reduce the University's ecological footprint."

These steps include purchasing Energy Star products, which are evaluated by the Environmental Protection Agency and meet strict guidelines, considering "U.S. Green Building LEED certification" for new buildings, buying more alternative fuel vehicles for University use and initiating a car and bicycle "borrowing" system for use by members of the University community.

Silvia Mocanu '08 feels that these steps are positive, but more should be done.

"I think that the University should really focus on embedding more environmentally conscious courses in the curriculum, because without educating the student body, no action will be complete," Mocanu said.

The University's own Environmental Center has been a critical advocate for these changes. The center was created in early 2005, starting out as an initiative of different faculty members with interests in environmental issues.

"We are working very hard to have the Environmental Center and environmental affairs in general be a major area of strength at the University," Peter Wilshusen, assistant professor of environmental studies and co-director of the Environmental Center, said.

Another major project currently being conducted on campus is the Campus Environmental Assessment, which brings together over 65 students, faculty, staff and off-campus consultants to study the impact of the University's ecological footprint.

Aspects such as energy, transportation, hazardous waste, built environment and landscaping will be assessed, Jessica Scott

'08 said.

According to Scott, this assessment will produce a report by September 2008, and "will become the baseline for where the University currently stands, as well as provide clear objectives for action in the future."

"We are trying to create a setting where people can look at the complexities of climate change, understand where the scientific certainties are and what that could mean for the future of human society," Wilshusen said.

A broader aim for these initiatives is to spark debate and discussion in the University community. Scott feels that there will be a role for everyone to play with regards to the environment.

"No matter what field we choose to go into when we leave Bucknell, each and every single one of us will play an integral role in creating a nation-wide and world-wide solution to the many problems associated with these [environmental] issues," Scott said.

Mocanu agreed. "Sooner or later, we're all going to have to deal with the pressing issue of climate change, as it will affect all of humanity equally, regardless of regional, ethnic, religious, cultural or national affiliations. We are all one humanity and this is our only home," Mocanu said.

UNTIL THE VIOLENCE STOPS

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University censors artwork tied to 'Vagina Monologues'

By MICHELLE LAXER
News Editor

Student artwork displayed in a campus art show sparked controversy between its organizers and the University administration earlier this week.

The artwork was part of the "Vagina Monologues"-inspired V-Day Art Show held in the Center Room of the Elaine Langone Center.

Administrators decided that three of the pieces contained offensive words, and asked V-Day organizers to remove the works.

The organizers responded by flipping around the pieces so that the words in question could not be seen. They

placed "censored by the general counsel" signs on them.

Later, a University official confiscated two of the pieces, which have since been returned to the V-Day group.

According to Tom Evelyn, director of media relations, the pieces violated various content guidelines.

"The posters in question violated guidelines established in the Elaine Langone Center Poster Policy and the Student Handbook that were clearly outlined to the V-Day organizers in advance, both in person and in a subsequent e-mail exchange," Evelyn said.

"The organizers themselves acknowledged the guidelines in an e-mail before the display began," V-Day President Sarah Concannon

'08 says differently.

"I never received any guidelines

"In my opinion none of the pieces were inappropriate for Bucknell's community"
—Sarah Concannon '08, V-Day president

from anybody," she said. "I was asked by Phyllis Lipko [of the Reservation, Information and Conference Services

(RICS) Office] to send in some information about the art show, and I was told that I had to agree that [University] administration has final say about the appropriateness of all art. I would be the first filter, so if I didn't think something was appropriate, I wouldn't have put it up."

Both pieces that were removed contained the same explicit word for sex, and one of them contained an explicit word referring to a vagina.

The piece that was not removed included a word referring to a penis.

Concannon believed, in the spirit of the V-Day movement and the manner in which the words were used, they would not be considered offensive.

"In my opinion none of the pieces

were inappropriate for Bucknell's community. They perhaps would have been in an elementary or middle school setting," she said. "In fact, within the context of V-Day's message of non-violence, the use of these words made a lot of sense."

Since she believed these words would not be deemed inappropriate, she chose to display the artwork.

On Monday morning the RICS office received a complaint regarding the art and notified the General Counsel's office. The RICS office asked the V-Day organizers to remove the artwork in question.

In response, Concannon flipped the

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Obama takes lead, still no clear choice

By ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL-FERRARI
Staff Writer

Illinois Sen. Barack Obama swept the Tuesday Democratic primaries in Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C. Former Gov. of Arkansas Mike Huckabee showed he is still competition with his strong showing in Virginia, but Arizona Sen. John McCain stood out as the Republican's choice for candidate.

After Super Tuesday, New York Sen.

Hillary Clinton led Obama in a number of apportioned delegates, but after Tuesday's primaries, Obama took the lead.

According to CNN, Obama won 75 percent of the votes in D.C. to Clinton's 24 percent, 60 percent of the votes in Maryland to Clinton's 37 percent and 64 percent of the votes in Virginia to Clinton's 35 percent. Obama leads Clinton by 42 delegates, 1,253 to 1,211.

Obama may hold the lead, but with the Texas and Ohio primaries approach-

ing, the contest is not decided in either Obama's or Clinton's favor yet.

"Obama's ability to fight to a draw on Super Tuesday made it clear that Clinton's campaign wouldn't have this wrapped up this month," said Scott Meinke, assistant professor of political science.

"The two candidates will need a long term strategy because the contest may continue to the convention. Obama has

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Election 2008: An International Outlook

By ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL-FERRARI
Staff Writer

As the end of the primary season gets closer, the international community's investment in American politics can be examined to see who the rest of the world supports in the United States' presidential race.

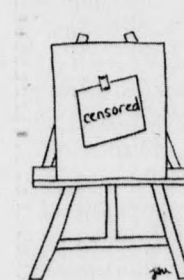
"The international community closely follows American politics," said John Does, assistant professor of political sci-

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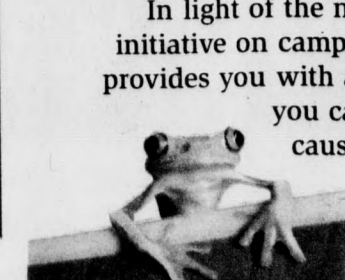
Jack Johnson's new album "Sleep Through the Static" has a relaxing sound that anyone can enjoy.



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SPORTS

Women's water polo wins five straight to sweep the Hilton Hotels Colorado State Invitational.



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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, Feb. 6	ALARM / INTRUSION—Swartz Hall: Cause unknown.	ALARM / FIRE—Swartz Hall: Caused by burnt hair.	Café: Cause unknown.
ALARM / INTRUSION—Langone Center: Cause unknown.	ASSIST MOTORIST—Smith Hall Lot: Motorist assisted.	ASSIST / EMS—McDonnell Hall: Transported to Evangelical Community Hospital.	ALARM / FIRE—7th Street Café: Cause unknown.
MEDICAL TRANSPORT—Ziegler Health: Student transported for medical treatment.	ASSIST MOTORIST—Public Safety: Motorist assisted.		ALARM / TROUBLE—Vedder Hall: Malfunctioning detector.
PARKING VIOLATION—Fraternity Road: Vehicle booted.	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Bucknell West: Warning issued.	Sunday, Feb. 10	ALARM / FIRE—7th Street Café: Cause unknown.
PARKING VIOLATION—Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity: Vehicle booted.	Saturday, Feb. 9	ASSIST / POLICE—St. George Street: Assist Lewisburg Police Department.	ALARM / FIRE—Carey House: Caused by cooking.
PROPERTY / FOUND—Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity: Recovered property.	THEFT—Smith Hall: Under investigation.	SUSPICIOUS PERSON—Smith Hall: Under investigation.	ALARM / FIRE—Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity: Caused by cooking.
Thursday, Feb. 7	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION—Langone Center: Underage consumption of alcohol.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Vedder Hall: Under investigation.	Tuesday, Feb. 12
CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Craft Center: Judicial referral.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Bucknell West: Broken window.	THEFT—Delta Upsilon Fraternity: Under investigation.	ALARM / TROUBLE—23 University Avenue: Cause unknown.
Friday, Feb. 8	ASSIST / POLICE—Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity: Assist Lewisburg Police Department.	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Larson Hall: Unfounded.	ALARM / INTRUSION—Marts Hall: Employee activated.
THEFT—Marts Hall Parking Lot: Under investigation.	THEFT—Smith Hall: Under investigation.	ALARM / FIRE—7th Street Café: Cause unknown.	HARASSMENT / COMMUNICATIONS—Carnegie Hall: Under investigation.
ALARM / INTRUSION—Swartz Hall: Caused by employee.	PROPERTY / FOUND—Hunt Hall Quad: Recovered property.	Monday, Feb. 11	HARASSMENT—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.
	ASSIST / POLICE—Route 15 & Moore Avenue: Report filed.	ASSIST / PUBLIC—Moore Avenue: Assisted employee.	
		ALARM / FIRE—7th Street	

Many possibilities for Democrats

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tapped into a great and growing reserve of enthusiasm in the electorate, particularly among younger, more liberal and African American voters."

Meinke continued, "That level of enthusiasm helped him, for instance, to win by huge margins in Georgia and win unexpectedly by a narrow margin in Missouri. With these big wins, Obama has enjoyed momentum. But, Obama is not going to steam-

roll to success."

Kim Reynolds '09, president of the College Democrats, agrees.

"It seems that Obama's campaign is gaining momentum while Hillary needs to make changes in her approach," Reynolds said.

Speculation about a Clinton-Obama or Obama ticket has been made by political analysts.

"A Clinton-Obama ticket is possible but not probable. A Clinton-Obama ticket is more logical than an Obama-Clinton ticket because

Obama is the newer figure. A Clinton-Obama ticket makes more sense in terms of how we traditionally see the set-up of the ticket. But Obama is more of a rock star figure, and Clinton does not want to be outshined," Meinke said.

Reynolds adds that such a combined ticket is not necessarily a scenario either candidate would be comfortable with.

Meinke points to an example in recent presidential history. The two front-runner candidates for the Republican nominee, Ronald

Reagan and George H.W. Bush, became a ticket in 1980.

"They were certainly not fans of each other. Bush infamously called Reagan's economic policy 'Voodoo Economics,'" Meinke said.

The future of the Democratic nominee continues to depend on primaries in the upcoming weeks. On Tuesday there will be Republican primaries in Washington and Wisconsin, as well as Democratic primaries in Hawaii and Wisconsin.

V-Day art raises controversy

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pieces over and attached a note that read, "Sorry, this piece has been censored by the General Counsel."

"My motive in this was to provoke the people viewing the art and to hopefully stimulate some intellectual discussions about the attitude of the Bucknell administration toward the more liberal groups on campus," she said.

According to Evelyn, the General Counsel reviewed the questionable pieces on Tuesday morning. They were judged to be offensive, and the RICS office was asked to remove the two pieces. They were retained, and V-Day organizers were able to retrieve them.

Evelyn said the artwork violated the the Langone Center Poster Policy.

The policy states that posters "may not include subject matter pertaining to alcohol, tobacco, drugs or offensive matter."

In addition, according to the Student Handbook, "non-complying publications or posters

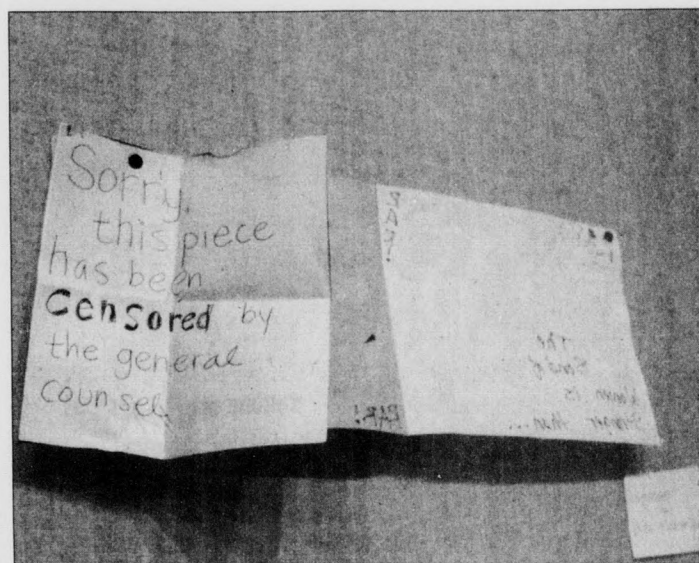
are subject to removal." This includes "products that are inimical to the mission or the image of the University," Evelyn said.

University administrators were concerned with the presence of offensive words in a public campus building.

"The Langone Center is, among other purposes, [the University's] front door to all admissions tours, parent visits and prospective student visits, including families touring campus with children of all ages," Evelyn said. "The posters in question included offensive language that in fact likely would not be allowed in any common, public area in the country."

In addition to Concannon, other V-Day members are upset with the University's decision. Karungari Wambugu '08 believes their decision defeats the purpose of the V-Day and Vagina Monologues movement to be open to talking about female sexuality and reclaiming female taboos.

"The whole point of art is freedom of expression," she said. "They're not letting us express ourselves."



One of the pieces of V-Day art accused of violating policies regarding questionable material in the LC. The V-Day Art Show displayed work inspired by the "Vagina Monologues."

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ence. "It has a blank check to shape the world how they want to, and people care about that. The United States generally effects their lives and the international community cares about who is running the show."

Doug Hecock, assistant professor of political science and specialist in Latin American politics, cites specific reasons for Latin America's interest in American Politics.

"Latin American citizens want the United States to pay attention to Latin America, and the current President [of the United States] has certainly not done this relative to both the Clinton and the first Bush administration. So more than anything, they just want a change," he said.

Countries also have preferences as to which party takes power. Does said "the Bush factor" is the biggest factor influencing their choice.

"Whoever is farthest away from Bush will garner their support," Does said.

Hecock said the majority is likely to want a Democrat, but businessmen, in the interest of maintaining access to United States markets, would prefer a Republican.

"Mexicans, in particular, are concerned with immigration. They want immigrants to have rights and be secure," Hecock said. In fact, the issue of immigration is so important to Mexico that their president is in the United States this week to meet with immigrants, not Bush.

The United States can also look to Latin America as an example for electing non-male, non-white candidates to office.

"Bolivia has its first indigenous President. In Chile Michelle Bachelet was elected—the first time a woman has been elected without association with her husband in all of Latin America. It's very clear that she was elected on her merits," Hecock said.

In Argentina Cristina Fernández de Kirchner was the first woman elected to the Presidency.

"She ran for office directly after the end of her husband's term in office as President. Her husband was a popular President of Argentina; therefore, de Kirchner had the advantage of running on his coattails," Hecock said.

Clinton has not necessarily benefited from her husband having previously served as the President.

"Hillary Clinton's husband was a popular president; however, the eight years in between his term in office and her running for office has made it difficult to 'ride on his coattails,'" Hecock said.

Does suggests that the United States' lateness in the game may be a product of the type of institution.

"Those countries that have elevated women tend to be parliamentary democracies. There is less visibility in a parliamentary democracy, and therefore it is easier to escape criticism," Does said.

Does also attributes this to patterns in elections.

"There is momentum to precedent ... first mover advantage. Once you get that going, it is really hard to break in. It is similar to how the market works."

Regardless of the outcome of the Democratic nominations, the United States will see its first presidential race that does not include two white males.

Greek achievements recognized

By AHMED KODOUDA
Staff Writer

This year's Greek Awards took place on Tuesday to recognize the achievements of the University's Greek community. This year even featured the inauguration of a new award. The ceremony was held in Trout Auditorium and Chip Marara, assistant dean of students and director of fraternity and sorority affairs, presented the awards.

The Greek Awards are given to the Greek organizations and individuals that meet specific criteria.

"For many of the chapter awards, the fraternity and sorority statistics for the calendar year are consulted, but with each individual award, different criteria needs to be met," Mary O'Sullivan '09, president of the Panhellenic Council, said.

O'Sullivan was excited about the achievements and future prospects of Greek life at the University.

"I can confidently say that I am very pleased with Bucknell's Greek students' involvement in campus activities, their high achievement in academics and their continuous drive to better

our school and local community."

The awards included academic achievement awards, such as the Campbell Rutledge Jr. Memorial Scholarship Award and the Lois Heenehan Scholarship Award, which recognize the sorority and fraternity with the highest grade point average.

The awards were broken into the categories of chapter awards and individual awards. Chapter awards included the Philanthropy Program Award, Community Service, Community Relations Award, Risk Management, Chapter Educational Programming, Recruitment and New Member Education and Most Improved Chapter.

The individual awards presented were Outstanding University Advisor, Outstanding Fraternity and Sorority Student Athlete, Outstanding Chapter Officer, Outstanding Junior Award, Outstanding Senior Award, Outstanding Alumni Volunteer/Alumni Advisor, Paul Sigjka Memorial Award, Gary Sojka Leadership Award and the John Dunlop Commitment to

Excellence, which is the highest award for an undergraduate member of the Greek system.

Sofia Merino '09 was very excited about her sorority's recognition.

"Our sorority worked really hard as a unit to uphold an image of intelligence and integrity within our chapter. Education is an integral part of Greek life, especially to Kappa Alpha Theta," Merino said.

A new award was presented during this year's ceremony. The Creative Programming Award was given to Alyssa Becker '08, 2007 president of Alpha Chi Omega, and Margot Grant '08, 2007 president of Pi Beta Phi. The award is given to recognize those who independently bring rewarding programs to the University.

This year, instead of awarding the Alumni Relations Award to individual chapters, it was awarded to Ashley Paro '09 and Bill Massaro '09, the 2007 Panhellenic and Inter Fraternity Council (IFC) Alumnae Liaisons.

Delta Gamma was the only Greek organization to receive Gold Star Chapter status this year. This is the first time any

chapter reached Gold Star status. Delta Gamma will be awarded \$5,000. Silver Star Chapter status went to Chi Omega Sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority and Theta Chi Fraternity.

The Gold and Silver Star statuses are given to chapters based on their accomplishments and achievements in accordance with the University's Plan for Prominence. This plan was implemented in 1999 "to define the responsibilities, guidelines, policies and expectations of fraternities and sororities at Bucknell in contemporary society." Chapters must adhere to the guidelines and policies outlined in the plan in order to remain in good standing with the University.

Leaders of the Greek system are pleased with the involvement and dedication of the University's organizations.

"Our Greek Community is persistently striving to raise more philanthropy money, do more community service and to cultivate an atmosphere of diversity, education and acceptance," O'Sullivan said.

For a full list of recipients, please refer to inset below.

Essays on racial issues released

By MAX FRIEDLANDER
Contributing Writer

"Color, Hair, and Bone: Race in the Twenty-first Century" is a newly-released book published by the Bucknell University Press which hit shelves in January. The book is an anthology of essays written and put together by a number of professors from both the University and various other parts of the world. Linden Lewis, currently an associate professor of sociology at the University was an integral contributor to the collection of essays in addition to being one of three editors. Glyne Griffith, a former University English professor currently working at State University of New York at Albany, joined Lewis in both editing the book and contributing to the essays.

The title of the anthology is derived from a phenomenon that was studied intensely by W.E.B. DuBois in "The Conservation of Races" which argued that literature and popular discourses tend to reduce the notion of race to differences in color, hair, and bone.

"We thought that given the general orientation of a notion of color-blindness which emerges out of the culture wars and in light of Paul Gilroy's renunciation of the concept of 'race' as not being terribly useful analytically, that it was important to return to the profundity of the caution that W.E.B. DuBois articulated about not reducing matters to the grosser physical differences of color, hair and bone," Lewis said.

The book uses the discussions presented at a conference on race that took place at the

University in 2002 as a base. It explores more deeply the conference's main point, the persistence of race into the new millennium. By describing major displays of racism throughout the world in the final years of the 20th century and the first few years of the 21st, Lewis explains exactly why the persistence of racism into the new millennium must be addressed.

He and the other writers discount the notion of "color-blindness," or the refusal of people to even notice racial differences. The anthology compares this view of race to a biologist's perspective that says biologically we are all the same, despite race.

"Though DuBois did not have the language of discourse that we use in the contemporary period, I think that he was in essence saying that race was culturally and not biologically constructed," Lewis said.

"Color, Hair, and Bone" focuses on race from sociological, anthropological and literary points of view. It addresses not only race, but also diverse subjects of concern like gender, differences in body, societal icons, literature and political activism. In addition, the book attempts to tie the class effects of social order into racial order.

The release of the book was celebrated with a reception held in the traditional reading room of Bertrand Library. At the reception, the authors gave brief speeches about "Color, Hair, and Bone." The last person to speak, Glyne Griffith, spoke very highly of the people with whom he collaborated to bring the book to fruition, ending his speech with three very simple words: "Buy the book."

Local community families see stars

Physics and astronomy department opened Observatory to the public

By CARLY WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

Ladd said.

Since the program's inception it has paired a science presentation with that of a singer or storyteller.

"The goal here has been to show that the artistic and the scientific aren't all that far apart, and that the combination of the two can make for an enjoyable evening," Ladd said.

This year's event, which lasted from 6-9 p.m., featured alternating half-hour time slots: one of "Songs and Stories" by Lewisburg-based singer and storyteller Earl Pickens and the other with a talk by Ladd titled "The Distant Stars."

Pickens played space-themed classics like "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star," Dean Martin's "That's Amore" and "The Byrds' "Mr. Spaceman." His set also included "The Sun is a Mass of Incandescent Gas," a tune filled with science facts and his own song "Moon,

You Know Why," which included what he called, rather than a guitar solo, a "moon fac-toid solo."

Ladd then took the floor with his talk regarding stars. When he asked about what makes them glow, many area kids answered that they must be on fire. Ladd said, "They're not on fire. They're just plain hot!"

He demonstrated that point later on by heating up a ball bearing and turning out the lights. The bearing glowed orange. Ladd explained that stars glow orange, white and blue based on how hot they are. His talk also included a game with constellations.

After both presentations attendees were invited down the Hall of Planets in the observatory that features walls covered with murals of the planets, facts about each one and pictures of them taken in space. A color-your-own constellation activity rounded out the night.

NEWS BRIEFS

Former Ethiopian political prisoner to speak on terrorism

Former Ethiopian political prisoner and Visiting International Scholar in the Economics Department, Berhanu Nega, will present "American Power and the Struggle Against Poverty and Terror in Africa," at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26 in the Leanne Freas Trout Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public. According to a University press release, his presentation will focus on "democracy and economics and their impact on terrorism in developing countries."

Nega served as an economics faculty member at the University from 1990-1994, then returned to Ethiopia to teach in the department of economics at Addis Ababa University. While in Ethiopia, Nega was responsible for advancements in economic research in the country. He helped establish and direct the Ethiopian Economic Policy Research Institute, the first independent economic policy research institute in Ethiopia. He also created the Ethiopian Maize Agro-Industrial Share Company, which produced more affordable food for the people of Ethiopia. In 2005, he became Ethiopia's first elected mayor when he won more than 75 percent of the vote in Addis Ababa. After his election, he and other opposition leaders were jailed and charged with treason, inciting violence and trying to overthrow the government. Nega and the others were released this past July. During his stay at the University, Nega will serve as a guest lecturer for the economics department.

Best-selling author to participate in speaker series

Best-selling author and columnist Barbara Ehrenreich will present the next lecture in the national speakers series, "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen & Politics in America." Ehrenreich will present "Working for Change: Citizenship and Class in America" at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 17 in the Weis Center. Tickets will be required for the event, but it is free and open to the public. Further details on ticket registration are not yet available.

One of Ehrenreich's books, "Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting by in America," spent 92 weeks on The New York Times bestseller list. It chronicled her experiences as a blue-collar worker, earning poverty wages and working full-time. She is also the author of "Bait and Switch: The (Futile) Pursuit of the American Dream." She was a columnist for Time magazine from 1991-1997 and is a regular contributor to The Progressive. Her work has appeared in The New York Times, The Atlantic Monthly, The New Republic and other publications.

Oil businessman nominated for university presidency

Controversy at the University of Colorado arose when the campus learned that oil businessman, Bruce Benson, was nominated to become their next president. According to Fox News, his lack of an advanced degree has the campus concerned about his ability to lead a higher education institution. He is the sole finalist for the position, and the nomination was met with fierce protest. Students also voiced concern over his conservative Republican activist background. Benson recently served as co-chair of Mitt Romney's presidential campaign. He claimed his business experience will aid the effort to raise funding for the University of Colorado. Benson earned his bachelor's degree in geology from the University of Colorado. He became owner and president of Benson Mineral Group, Inc., a Denver-based oil and gas exploration firm. He was also the CEO and president of United States Exploration Inc., a Montana-based oil and gas producer. Fox News cited a 2005 Chronicle of Higher Education survey reporting that less than 1 percent of 764 presidents and chancellors only held a bachelor's degree.

Nursing student kills two students

Two students were shot and killed in a classroom at Louisiana Technical College in Baton Rouge Friday morning when a nursing student opened fire and then killed herself. According to The New York Times, Baton Rouge police were informed of the shooting by the numerous phone calls coming into the station that morning. A Baton Rouge police spokesman told Times that investigators did not know the motive for the shooting. He also did not release the names of the victims.

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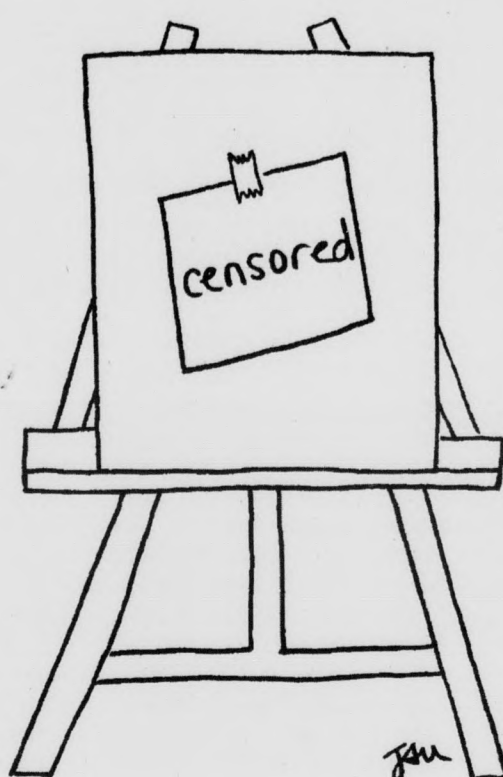
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The Bucknellian EDITORIAL



The V-Day art show coordinators were not wrong in believing that the artwork would not cause concern. Faculty members, staff members, and students should be familiar with the message of V-Day and the Vagina Monologues since it has been an annual event on campus for 10 years. One would assume that if you find the Vagina Monologues or V-Day—or the manner in which their messages have traditionally conveyed—off-putting, you wouldn't stroll on into an art show clearly organized by the V-Day coordinators. If indeed you felt this way and proceeded to enter the art

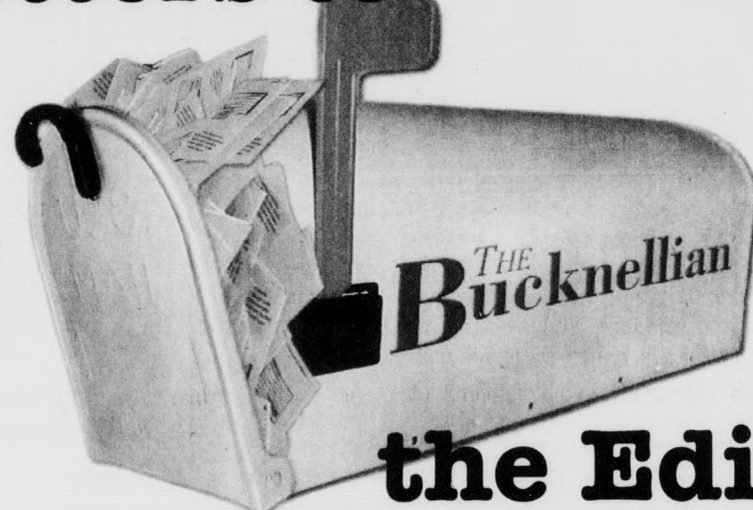
show and were subsequently offended, it was nobody's fault but your own.

The language deemed inappropriate on the pieces was explicit, but it is certainly nothing new to our ears or our mouths—students hear and/or use those words on a daily basis. The words did not target a specific group or type of people, as would a racial slur, nor were they gratuitous—arguably they were appropriate for the non-violence message of V-Day. Even if you do believe they were gratuitous, the Vagina Monologues uses explicit words, but nobody is bleeping them out during the performance for the sake of appropriateness.

Furthermore, if intellectual discourse of any kind must be censored on campus, where else is there to go? A center of learning like a university, of all places, should be a facilitator for meaningful discussion about serious topics, including as women's issues. This campus should be an open forum where every opinion is expressed and accepted in whatever manner necessary.

Discussing complex topics such as racism, war, terrorism, economics or women's sexuality will inevitably offend someone, but the only way to explore the issue completely is to have free, open discussion.

Letters to



the Editor

V-Day response to staff letter

To the Editor:

We received a letter in the mail from a conservative staff member (who only identified himself or herself as such).

He or she was offended by the name of our organization, and that he or she cannot support us if we continue to use the word vagina in our name.

Although, this person did not use the word vagina, but rather abbreviated The Vagina Monologues as VM.

We would like to thank this person for the feedback and the hopes of success that was wished for the group. Most of all, thank you for

reminding us of why we are a part of V-Day.

You misunderstand V-Day's message if you believe that our event can be successful while grown men and women like yourself can't speak, or even write, the word 'vagina'.

We aren't successful if all we ever do is fund Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition (SVWIT) so that they can keep their shelters open.

In fact, that the shelters for abused women and their children exist is a sign of our failure.

We aren't successful if

staggering numbers of female students are sexually assaulted on the University's campus each year.

We need to be successful. We need to end the violence right here on our own campus and elsewhere. We need to shun the fear and embarrassment surrounding women's sexuality.

We need to say the word Vagina.

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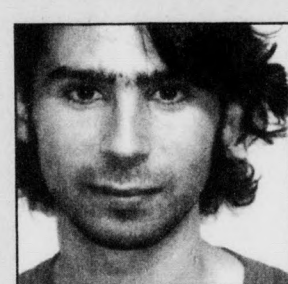
Last Ditch Effort

By John Kroes



My Favorite Mistake

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
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The only thing that scares me about graduating is the dentist. Yes, the dentist, I'm okay with the whole being out in the real world thing. I'm okay buying and cooking my own food. But the dentist still scares me.

I'm not afraid of the dentist himself per se. I'm actually afraid of going to the dentist—or not going, to put it more succinctly. You see, I've realized that, come May, I'll have to start making my own dentist appointments—and I know already I hate going to the dentist enough that those self-made dentist appointments may be few and far between.

Currently, I go to the dentist once every six months. It's a dreaded date. I fear January and July because I know I'll have to go through the agony of having my teeth cleaned. But at my last appointment, I developed a new kind of anxiety: the fear that once I'm out on my own, I'll only go once every two years or so.

It's all too easy to make excuses to not go to the dentist: I don't have time! I don't have insurance! Going to the dentist is strictly less than no fun at all and so forth.

My fear of going to the dentist—or, more exactly, of making dentist appointments—was reinforced by a recent trip to the dentist.

The appointment contained a bit of the usual: poking and prodding of my gums with sharp metal pointy things. I also had a nice conversation with the hygienist while inclined nearly 180 degrees with my mouth open like a whale straining krill.

At least, I tried to. Or rather, she tried to. I was in no position to talk. She was chatty anyway, and asked about my post-graduation plans, whether I had traveled over Christmas, and so forth. I doubt she got a lot of useful information out of me, since all my responses were identical: Ughh uhh huh umm ghn.

Then came the paste. Oh, the paste. I'm told it cleans my teeth, but it only grosses me out. I've always feared the paste. I don't mind the prodding so much. Oh, sure, I don't love the prodding, but I can deal. But the paste? Count me out.

Sometimes they ask you what flavor of paste you want, but you only really have two options: Rubber Glove or Dentist's Mint. That's because everything in the dentist's office tastes like those two things.

Dentists even have their own variety of mint flavoring. It doesn't taste like the mint flavoring anywhere else. It's a special variety that tastes gross, and only dentists have it. I don't get it. It's 2008—we've put a man on the moon, yet we still can't make a fluoride paste that tastes good? Maybe one of the chemical engineering professors can explain this situation to me.

These are both characteristics of a typical dentist appointment, but at my last visit, the worst was yet to come. The hygienist had very bad news for me. I'm not sure I fully understand the implications, but the gap between my gums and teeth has grown from two millimeters to three millimeters. Apparently, this means I'm lying into the danger zone, so to speak. Three millimeters doesn't sound like much to me, but the hygienist nervously called over the dentist, who seemed very ominous when he talked to me about my gum issue.

I'd had a nearly flawless dental record up until this appointment. Last July, the hygienist had even complimented me on my superior oral hygiene skills. Now, all of a sudden, I was an immoral fiend who didn't even floss! Oh, the humanity!

After getting a lecture about flossing, the dentist tried to convince me to get my wisdom teeth removed. I got the impression I'd die if I didn't have them removed, but that may have just been my imagination filling in the blanks in the dentist's explanation. At any rate, I recalled that my father hadn't had his wisdom teeth removed, and he was still alive and kicking. So I inferred that the dentist just wanted a new wing on his house or had a son about to enter college. My wisdom teeth weren't causing any trauma and hadn't during any of the last 10 times the dentist had told me to have them removed, so I opted to leave them in.

I'm still a student, so as much as I hate the dentist, I can handle going through this ritual every six months. But once I'm out on my own, with my own insurance, I'm pretty sure I won't be too keen on being hassled every six months.

Not-so-sweet hearts

By JENNA SILVI
Contributing Writer

Conversation hearts, candy hearts, sweethearts. Call them anything you want but in my opinion, a "candy" that tastes like a TUMS antacid and has "FAX ME" printed on it is not in the least bit appealing to my mouth or to my sentiments.

But even though the famous conversation hearts/sweethearts have failed to steal my heart, the American public is still hopelessly enamored when they think to use candy hearts to say something really "special" to their sweetheart. The truth is, millions of people do the same exact thing every year. It's not creative; it's almost expected.

an American icon and are produced at a rate of over 8 billion hearts each year, according to www.necco.com.

Again, my question is why? Why do we LOVE these little candies and continue to fawn over them as much as some of us still do?

Of course, some people out there obviously find it convenient that these little hearts can sum up exactly what needs to be said on Valentine's Day in two words

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or less. If a guy told me how he felt about me using a candy heart to convey the message,

It was during that time that the NECCO Company started making lofty investments in the "sweet-heart" department after they noticed how popular the hearts were becoming.

Now, nearly a century and a half later, the NECCO Company's "sweethearts" have become somewhat of

LOVE YOU" better than he can. I don't know about you ladies out there, but if a guy wants to tell me he loves me, he'd better say it.

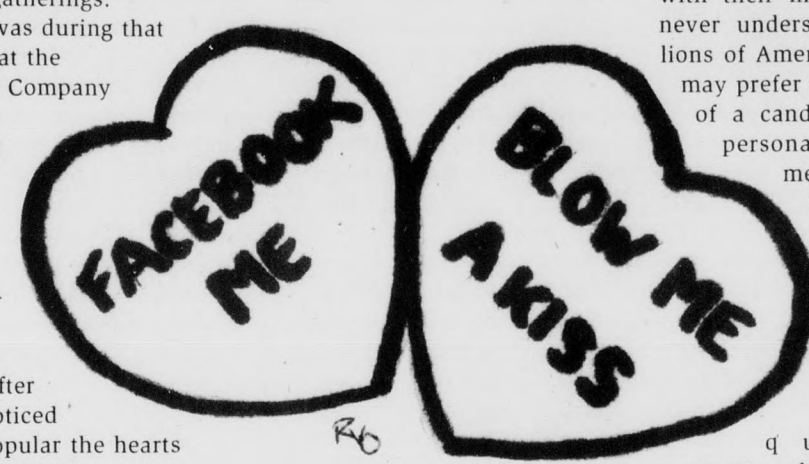
I don't care how cute and different his attempts to be sweet are; I want to hear those words, not see them printed on one centimeter's worth of pressed sugar.

Saying I LOVE YOU with a candy heart is not only corny; it's cliché.

It astounds me that some people think that they are being outrageously creative when they think to use candy hearts to say something really "special" to their sweetheart. The truth is, millions of people do the same exact thing every year. It's not creative; it's almost expected.

"Sweethearts" do not impress with their taste or with their messages. I may never understand why millions of Americans out there may prefer the conciseness of a candy heart to the personalized sentiments found in a love poem, but I guess that's just the way the heart of the American public beats these days.

Call them sweet...whatever you want, but I refuse to fall for this chalky candy fetish and I don't think that I will ever have a change of heart.



Issues or personality: political decision making in the age of character

By BRYAN METZ
Contributing Writer

It's amazing what you can find on the Internet. The other day I found a Web site proclaiming even though Republican hopeful John McCain has a lot of good qualities, nobody should vote for him because he is a Republican.

Do people really think that way? Did I just happen to find some fringe Web site? Sadly, it seems this is becoming more and more a mainstream mode of thinking.

In the 2006 election we saw an overwhelming sense of "vote the Republicans out," which manifested itself in a congressional majority for the Democrats.

In the 2004 presidential election we saw campaigns for "anyone but Bush," which were obviously met with less success. Somewhere along the line, people have decided it's more important to vote against their least favorite candidates rather than vote for their favorite candidate.

Has this strategy been successful? Well, obviously for "anyone but Bush" obviously didn't produce the desired outcome, and now we have one of the least popular presidents in history. So

that's a mark in the "fail" column.

Let's take a look at all the wonderful changes of our new Democratic Congress: We are still in Iraq with no real exit strategy. Social Security's still broken (and there's absolutely no talk of fixing it anytime soon) and there are still daily murders in Darfur.

Some things have actually broken through the status quo, though: Gas prices are up, the trade deficit is increasing, the national debt is greating, corn prices are ever higher and congressional approval rates are on par with President Bush's approval rates. We may or may not be heading into a recession.

Don't think I'm trying to advocate voting Republican as the solution to all your problems—far from it! Republicans are responsible for our expensive privacy-eliminating identity-theft-in-one-easy-card national ID (they called it the "Real ID"), habeas corpus-killing Military Commissions Act and a de facto ban on stem cell research.

"But Bryan," you may ask, "What are we to do? Everyone's the same!" Will Rogers once said, "The short memories of American voters are what keep our politicians in office," and he was right. We keep voting the same people in, who say the same things, and hope

for something new. How about instead of listening to the rhetoric, nodding our heads silently and believing it all, we think about what's actually being said.

Take as an example the college student's favorite liberal candidate: Barack Obama. I generally avoid listening to him as much as possible. But the other day as I walked through my dorm lounge, I accidentally overheard him

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telling some news reporter on television, "If I'm elected to the White House, I will rid Washington of all lobbyists." Most people hear this and think "Hey, that's a good idea!" I mean, Big Tobacco, Big Pharma, Big Oil, Big Alcohol and Big Wal-Mart all have evil lobbyists, so banning them from Washington is a good thing, right? (Interesting side note: Whenever he claims credit for anti-lobbyist legisla-

tion, he's talking about the bill he got passed that said lobbyists cannot buy food for Congressmen ... unless the Congressman is standing up. Crazy but true!) Well what about the American Association for Retired Persons (AARP) or the American Automobile Association (AAA)? For you vegetarians out there: When they aren't throwing paint at rich socialites, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) lobbies as well. For those of you who enjoy food as God intended (he made animals out of meat, right?) there are lobbying groups working for you as well. Small business owners, large business owners, grass roots campaigns, third parties—even scientists depend on lobbying. And there's a candidate—a popular candidate—who wants to get rid of this? What?!

I took a couple deep breaths and thought about it a minute. Obama's a smart man. He clearly can't mean he will literally ban lobbyists from Washington. But it's this sort of complicity on behalf of the American public which has led us to the state in which we currently find ourselves.

Let's start asking the hard questions: What does universal health care actually mean? Where are we getting cunning to assert our right to be. We have had to insert ourselves into the fabric of a dominant culture through using and then reinventing what is already there: to speak through metaphor and nuance; to make of our oft-presumed absence a presence.

As a black woman, Clifton has repeatedly written about the quest for being, illuminating how this struggle is tied to various issues of identity: race, gender and sexuality, as well as family, community and nationality. In Clifton's signature poem, "homage to my hips," for example, the speaker meditates on an aspect of her physical self—her "big hips"—alluding throughout the poem to the discourse regarding culturally driven notions of beauty and to the history of slavery. With a defiant stance, the speaker of the poem proclaims: "these hips / are free hips ... these hips have never been enslaved."ⁱⁱⁱ

In almost all of her poems, Clifton gathers together historical, political, philosophical and spiritual awareness into works that can only be described as visionary. Like other great American poets Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, Langston Hughes, Gwendolyn Brooks and Sylvia Plath, Clifton's voice is singular and far reaching. Her poems are woven from the particulars of her experience while

Romantics vs. consumers: the battle over Valentines Day

By LINDSEY WELLER
Contributing Writer

Valentine's Day always seems to trigger a battle between those who are true romantics and the skeptics who believe that the day was created by the candy and card companies in an effort to boost business. I have always fallen toward the romantic end of the spectrum, so even if Valentine's Day is somewhat of a scam, I'm still a sucker for it, as many people are. Despite my sappy demeanor, I can understand where the skeptics are coming from. The origins' importance and true meaning of Valentine's Day have been buried beneath the abundance and variety of heart-shaped products sold almost everywhere as soon as Christmas items are cleared off the shelves.

We try so hard to imitate the scripted Valentine's Day we see on TV and in the stores that we ultimately get let down in the process. And it's easy to see why—Valentine's Day doesn't play out like it does in the commercials. On TV, romance is tied to the products instead of the people; the focus is on the thing rather than the person. We are made to believe that Valentine's Day will be more magical if we use Lubriderm moisturizing lotion, wear the necklace from Kay Jewelers or use KY's Intrigue lubricant. This gives us the false idea that there is some

universal standard we must live up to, when in actuality Valentine's Day should be a unique and personal experience for each family and couple, not an identical experience repeated millions of times across the country.

While I cannot understand exactly how men experience the pressures of Valentine's Day, I do know that many women strive to create the per-

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fect Valentine's Day. Unfortunately, sometimes we are influenced by things that are very hard to live up to. One particular example sticks out in my mind. Although the Superbowl was a couple weeks ago now, I doubt that anyone has forgotten the Victoria's Secret commercial for Valentine's Day with Adriana Lima sitting in a chair playfully holding a football and looking piercingly into the eyes of her audience. Now, I'm not a guy, but I'm going to guess that most males enjoyed (that could be an understatement) that commercial. I bet that commercial caught the

attention of most girls too (it caught mine), but not because of how enraptured we are with Adriana Lima; instead we were thinking, "crap, I'm not sure I have enough time to look like that by Valentine's Day."

Of course nobody literally expected to magically transform into a supermodel by the 14th, the point is that it's stressful and can be a little discouraging when an iconic female figure and Valentine's Day are paired together. This seems to be another part of the scripted nature of the holiday—setting standards and expectations that we try and fulfill in some way or another.

The meaning of Valentine's Day seems to have gotten lost somewhere in the piles of stuffed animals, chocolate and jewelry. Take away all the fuss, stress and pressure that comes with Valentine's Day and all that's left is a day dedicated to letting our loved ones know how much we care about them, sweethearts or not; the candy, cards, teddy bears and sexy lingerie are just the icing on top. So girls, next year when you see a Victoria's Secret model on TV sporting her lacy lingerie, just remember that those who truly love you are looking beyond a pretty face. And guys, remember that the ultimate gift for your sweetheart on Valentine's Day (or any day) is a thoughtful, romantic gesture, whether that includes jewelry or not.

the money to fund this program? What do the studies say about this policy? Does this bill affect everyone, or just the people in your district? How does its proposed action relate to your intended goal?

And my personal favorite: Is this something we actually need the government to do? It doesn't matter whether you are left, right, up, down or sideways—if you don't know what your politicians are doing, you won't be happy with the result.

By all means vote for whomever you want; don't look to me for advice in that respect. But when you do vote, be sure you know what you're actually voting for. And look past the rhetoric! Don't punch the same number into the juke box and expect a new song.

And finally, educate yourself on the hows and whys of today's hot-button issues. Voting is more than just a right; it is a responsibility, and one which should be taken seriously. It deserves more than simply "anyone but ..."

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Lucille Clifton's 'Particular Light'

Editors Note: This article is third in a series of five articles we are running in honor of Black History Month. Each week in February, a University professor will feature a prominent black scholar who contributed to his or her field

By PROFESSOR SHARA MCCALLUM
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The first time I saw Lucille Clifton, I was 22 and a graduate student in the M.F.A. program at the University of Maryland, where she had come to read her poetry. As she entered the stage, I sat in an auditorium amidst 200 other expectant bodies. She walked to the podium and stood for a moment, looking out into the darkened room before speaking, a circle of light forming around her. The spotlight shone on her, yes, but there was something more, something inexplicable to me still. "Some say the radiance around the body / can be seen by eyes latticed against / all light but the particular" begins one of my favorite Clifton's poems. That evening, Clifton and her words were that "particular light" which offers wisdom, wit and grace.

It would be an understatement to say that

Clifton's poetry exerted a profound influence in my early development as a poet. Her body of work remains among that of a handful of contemporary poets I love and respect most. In reading and re-reading her poetry over the past dozen years, I've had ample opportunity to consider why this is so: certainly I admire the artistry of her poems, the syntax and diction that render her unique voice on the page, the finely wrought images and utterances that capture the complexity of human experience. Still, I think the reason more than any other I have returned to Clifton's poems over the years is their insistence on hope.

As a poet and reader of poetry, what I seek in the poems I read is a form and subject matter that illuminates the world, not as I know it but better than I do. If, as another contemporary American poet Adrienne Rich instructs, we "must read and write as if [our lives] depended on it," the convictions evident in Clifton's poetry light the way for that difficult undertaking.ⁱ Through their tenacity, humor, and courage, her poems remind each of us of the potential to unlock the true humanity within ourselves.

Within the broader American society, women and black people have historically needed to be pragmatic and at times even

addressing, as Whitman said, "multitudes." Over the course of her distinguished career as a poet, spanning 12 award-winning collections of poetry to date, she has continually embraced the power of speaking *against* or into the silence that too often inscribes the individual's life. Her poems give voice to various subjects and subjectivities: the little girl whose father commits unspeakable acts upon her at night; James Byrd, the black man dragged to death by three white men behind a pick-up truck in Jasper, Texas in 1998; the feeling for many Americans of still trying to right ourselves in the wake of 9/11 and in the throes of a war in which we now find ourselves embroiled.

I began by saying that the gift of Clifton's poetry, for me as a reader, is its avowal of hope. But this should not suggest that the poems deliver easy answers. Drawing from the deep resources of poetry, with its roots in storytelling and song, Clifton's poems lead us to the possibility of redemption through their keen awareness of suffering. Emerging from the depths of loss, her poems "stand up through destruction," becoming litanies of survival.^{iv} Throughout her poetry, Clifton affirms the tragic-beauty of our human existence: that "what is not lost / is paradise."^v

i The quote is taken from "11/10 again," which appears in The Book of Light (Copper Canyon Press, 1993).

ii The quote is taken from "As if your life depended on it," which appears in Rich's collection of essays, What is Found There (Norton, 1993).

iii "homage to my hips" was first published in Two-headed Woman (1980) and later reprinted in Good Woman: poems and a memoir 1969-1980 (BOA Editions, 1987). It is perhaps Clifton's most widely anthologized poem.

iv The quote is a paraphrased line from the poem, "Miss Rosie," first published in Good Times (1969) and later reprinted in Good Woman: poems and a memoir 1969-1980 (BOA Editions, 1987).

v The quote is taken from the seventh part of a poem about 9/11, titled "September Song," which appears in Mercy (BOA Editions, 2004).

Writer's Guild strike ends!

By STEPHANIE VOGEL
Contributing Writer

Let's establish one universal truth about life on campus: Our lives are stressful, and we all need something to come home to each night that alleviates the stress. Everyone has different methods of stress relief and mine is admittedly shallow and petty: I love television. More specifically, I love "The Office" and "Gossip Girl." I can never get enough of Jim Halpert's goofiness or Blair Waldorf's cattiness, and I go through my days looking forward to viewing these shows when I get back to my dorm room that I have come to call home.

For the past three months, however, I have not been able to shamelessly enjoy these shows because of the Writer's Guild of America (WGA) strike, which has prevented writers from producing new episodes of everyone's favorite shows. Popular shows as "Desperate Housewives," "Grey's Anatomy," "Law & Order" and "CSI" have been among those affected. The WGA is striking mainly because individual writers within the organization wish to increase the residuals earned from DVD and new media (Internet downloads, streaming, etc.) sales. They also want to expand the number of shows covered under the WGA Minimum Basic Agreement, a contract which denotes the terms under which its members are employed. Since the beginning of the strike, viewers and industry workers have

lamented its occurrence, with individuals from both parties claiming they would like to see the strike ended. For quite a time, it seemed as though there was no end in sight, especially in light of the cancellation of the Golden Globes one month ago. On Feb. 8, however, steps were taken that could end the 14-week long strike that has left avid viewers in agony. In a meeting between union leaders and production companies last Friday, a tentative three-year agreement was reached and expected to be approved by writers within the next 12 days.

With the approval of this agreement comes the return of all of those TV shows we've all come to know and love, in the form of new episodes, new drama and new romance. Personally, I'm nothing short of ecstatic. The past three months with no new drama to distract me from the evils of econ problems and philosophy readings have been long and grueling, and I gladly welcome the end to the biggest writer's strike since 1988.

Now that my narrow-minded stress relievers have finally returned to me in the form of teenage angst and awkward office humor, I am now quite confident I can take on any form of stress my professors see fit to throw at me. That being said, bring on the papers and other absurd forms of pressure; myself, along with millions of TV viewers across the world, are well-equipped to deal with them now.

Losers are the true winners, right?

By FENNA WÄCHTER
Contributing Writer

Underdogs are usually winners when it comes to being the crowd favorite. Take sports: If you are told that team A wins 20 percent of its matches and plays team B which wins 90 percent of its matches, you are more likely to root for team A. Almost everybody I know rooted for the Giants during the Superbowl and when asked why, the answer was, "because the Patriots always win." There has even been some extensive research at the University of Florida suggesting that you can easily manipulate someone's choice of a favorite by giving them facts that label them as the underdog or the weaker party.

Apparently Barack Obama has discovered that as well. During the past weeks and months, Obama has portrayed himself as the underdog. The young, first time Senator who is running against several experienced politicians, one of them even a former First Lady. Of course people support him. The smaller your chance of winning, the greater the support you get from the vast majority of people. This can put you in quite a predicament once you start winning. The situation gets especially precarious if you overtake your opponent, who then seems to be the weaker part.

Clinton has apparently mastered that task. As Obama

is gathering more and more delegates' votes, Clinton's chances of winning the primaries are getting slimmer. While he is merging into a party favorite, she is now taking on the role of the underdog.

In the beginning she appeared to have a good chance of winning despite her polarizing attitude, right? Come on, if your husband is a former president and runs your campaign, you are bound to have some strong

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allies within the party and make an impression on the voter. You should assume that those who liked your husband's style of governing are likely to vote for you now. Since Bill Clinton's term was associated with economic growth and increasing wealth, she seems to be all set. People might well vote for her, hoping for economic improvement.

The first primaries have produced a strong Barack Obama and, unexpectedly to some, a not-so-strong Hillary Clinton. As a result, support for her campaign is dwindling.

On Feb. 6, the New York Times published an article in response to the outcome of

Super Tuesday. While Obama had raised about \$32 million in January, Clinton raised a mere \$13 million and added private funds to the campaign. Despite the fact that Clinton has a few more delegates than Obama, she is now depicting herself as the underdog of the race, possibly hoping to use that "underdog effect" for her benefit. Her chief strategist, Mark Penn, dismissed Obama as a candidate of the Democratic "establishment" even though Obama has been endorsed by several senators and governors, among them Senator Edward Kennedy. And yet, Obama still declared himself the underdog in a statement on Wednesday morning, unwilling to assume the part of the winner and instead clinging to that of the loser.

To some, this might seem quite refreshing. After all, politics usually consists of two or more winners and no losers. Now the Democratic Party has two losers and no winners. This also means that there is still no clear favorite for the Democratic presidential candidate, while the Republicans seem to have a clear winner (McCain), especially after Mitt Romney dropped out of the race.

It is interesting that McCain managed to emerge so clearly, considering that he polarizes members of his own party due to his often moderate views on issues. He is yet another example of one who began as an outsider and succeeded in securing majority

support. He is now even watched carefully by some Democrats who fear that he might steal some Democratic votes during the presidential election.

McCain might in the end become a problem for Obama and Clinton alike. While the Republicans seem surprisingly united, the Democrats at the moment seem split in two almost even parts. After some of the harsh remarks that have been made by Obama and Clinton about each other, I wonder whether there will actually be a united Democratic party once the candidate is chosen.

They undermine their credibility by desperately clinging to their roles of losers. After all, we all know that both want to win. Wake up, guys! Both are no true underdogs anymore: the underdogs already dropped out. If you have made it this far, you have established yourself. Insisting on losing at this point can only harm you. Because in the end two democratic losers might remain two losers, as one loses the primaries while the other fails to secure a majority in the presidential election.

For a while it seemed as if the Democrats would certainly provide the next U.S. president. I suppose that a victory for McCain would simply prove the point: Underdogs are usually winners when it comes to being the crowd favorite. In this particular case though, it would be a real shame.

Obesity contributes to 'national sex crisis'

By CAITLIN DOOLIN
Contributing Writer

"Men's Health" released a report recently regarding men's health and their sexual activity. The study shows the obesity epidemic among men is increasingly contributing to the national sex crisis in America. Yes, there is a sex crisis among our nation. Apparently in 1996 the average American had sex 136 times a year. This statistic decreased staggeringly in 2007 where it was approximated to be 85 times a year. Scientists argue obesity leads to diminished blood flow, lowering a person's libido. This would indicate that sex is, in fact, a biological need. So why do men (or women) who sleep around get labeled with names like "man-whore," "player" or "slut"? All they are doing is fulfilling their body's biological needs. It's basically like nutrition, right? While sex itself and our hormones are biological, the need, desire and practice of "recreational" sex (sex that does not lead to reproduction) is socially constructed. It is also interesting to note that the ideal body image for men and women is also socially constructed. This leads to a question that I think many of us typically overlook. Do men think about their body image as much as women, and can it affect their confidence about climbing into bed with a woman?

From personal experience I can confidently say body image is something that taxes the mind of women young and old. I can remember being as young as 11 and noticing that ice cream did not make me look like the actresses and models on television. As I grew older I was self-conscious and picky about the

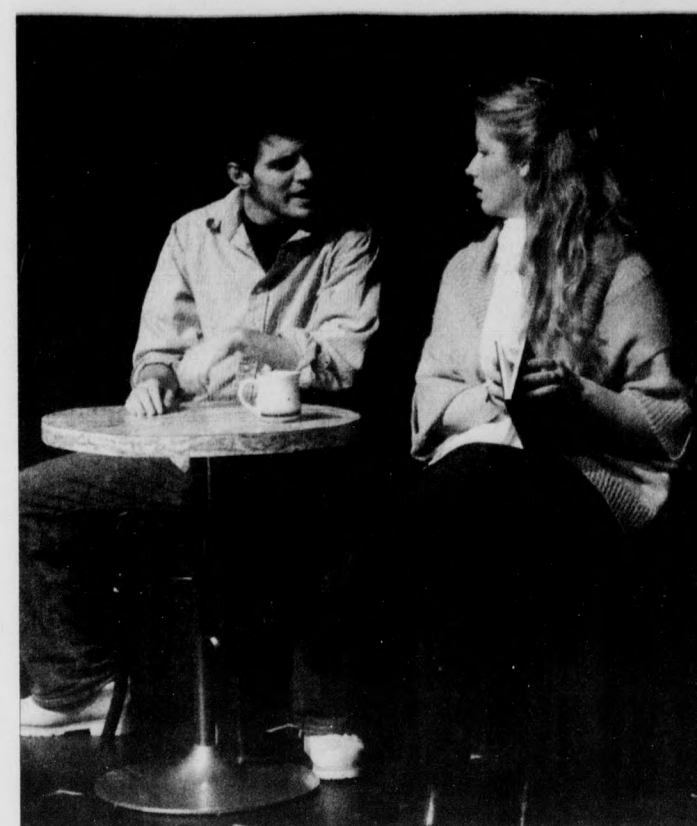
clothes I wore to school dances and how they made my body look. There were endless times in the high school cafeteria where I saw my guy friends chowing down on burgers, fries, mozzarella sticks and cookies while I nibbled on salad and yogurt for dessert. I always thought, "How great would it be to be a guy, they never worry about getting fat!"

I now realize I saw my high school male friends in a very naive light. The media is infamous for distorting the body image of women, and it has done the same to men over the years. Men now have an expectation to meet the models in the Hanes and Abercrombie commercials muscle for muscle. Many men will admit that their physique, not health, is what motivates them to head to the gym, particularly on our own campus where the "hook-up culture" is a social norm and the students have been ranked as high as the third-best-looking in the country by "Playboy" magazine. This idea that men on campus concern themselves with their physique may be obvious to any of you who have been to the gym between the hours of 3 and 5 p.m.

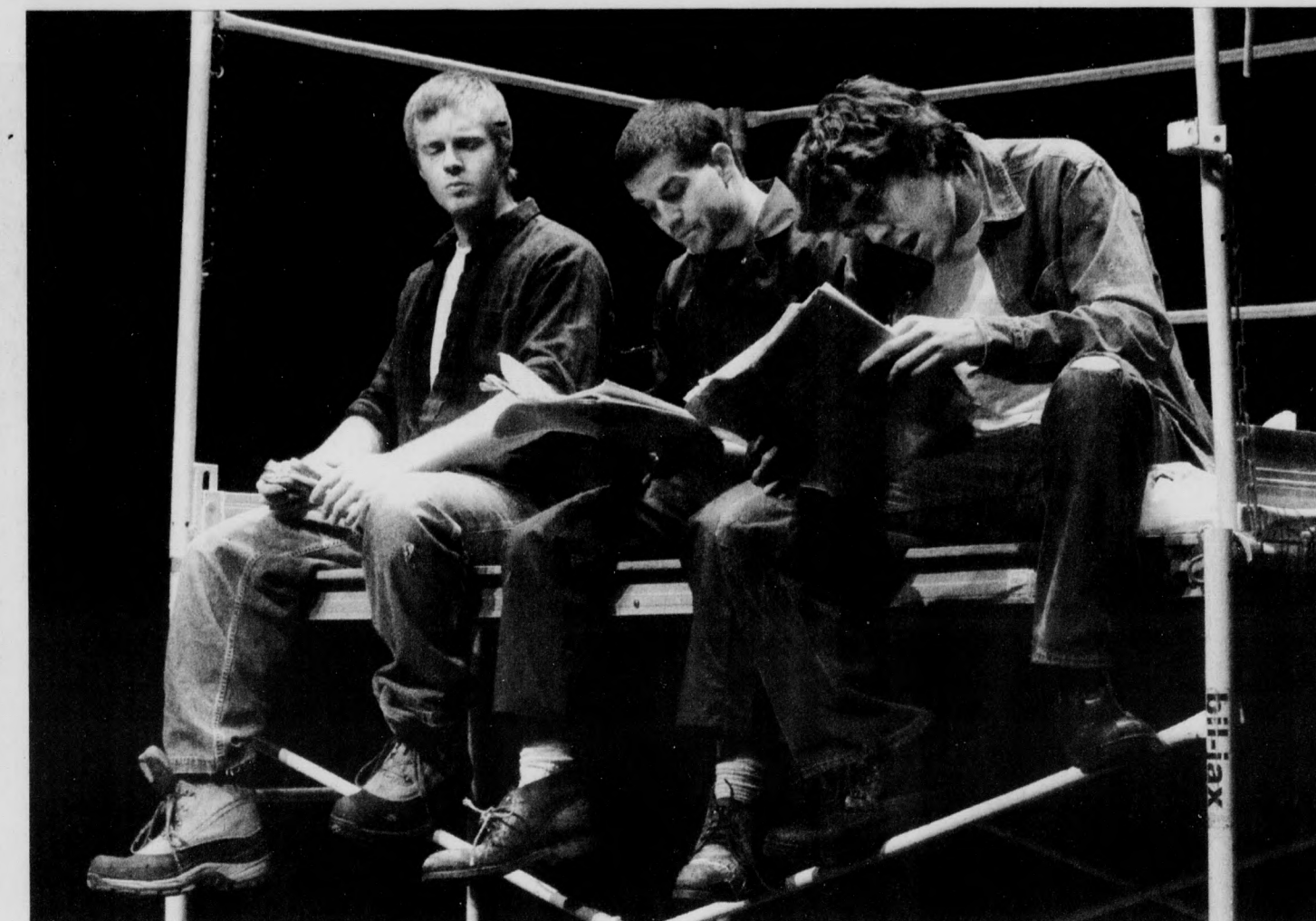
As it is well known that women have gone to great lengths to change and shape their bodies to perfection, it has become more common among men as well. I know men who are regular visitors of GNC stores for the latest nutritional beef-up tool and, sadly, regular users of steroids. While women are typically facing an eating epidemic, men are increasingly pumping artificial proteins and drugs into their body along with the many men who also face eating disorders. These extreme strides for a perfect body to be "more

attractive" and hopefully more sexually desirable to the opposite sex are affecting the physical health of everyone involved. The irony of it all! Scientists have now shown in study after study that eating disorders and certain muscle enhancement drugs actually diminish sexual activity! A study from the Derogatis Sexual Functioning Inventory found that sexual activity and interest was substantially diminished among hospitalized patients with any diagnosed eating disorder.

So is the United States less sexually active because obesity deters men from biologically being able to desire sex? Or can citizens of the United States not keep enough fat on their bodies to keep their hormones in balance enough to want sex? Maybe it is actually a completely psychological confidence issue that more and more people face as the "ideal" body becomes harder and harder to obtain. I wish I could confidently say on behalf of women everywhere, if gentlemen just keep their body healthy, we will desire you anyway. It is a two-way street, and as long as there is an expectation on one side, there will be one on the other, and both sexes will continue to feel the pressure. The show "The Average Joe" has come to mind several times as I have written this article. "The Average Joe" is a show where men of average height, weights and looks win over beautiful girls with their big personalities. Maybe it's time to stop measuring each other based on numbers on a scale and redefining what is beautiful and desirable in a person. Then everyone can get what they want. We would avert our national crisis, live a healthier lifestyle and ... get laid.



Enche Tjin — The Bucknellian
Above: Joe De Metro '09 and Rachael Pearce '10 perform in the first act of "Sure Thing." The performance was directed by Julia Frieri '10. Right: William Woods '11, David Shepard '09 and Jakob Schaeffer '10 play construction workers in "Mere Mortals," directed by Wendy Schibener '10.



David Ives One-Acts: Standing room only

Students direct and perform five single-act plays by "one of the geniuses of modern comedy"

By SARAH HALLOWELL
Contributing Writer

The department of theater and dance presented "David Ives One Acts" in Harvey Powers Theater last weekend. This show consisted of five humorous one act plays written by contemporary playwright David Ives and directed and performed entirely by University students.

"David Ives is one of the geniuses of modern comedy," Joe De Metro '09 said. "By combining quick witicism and a demand for perfect timing, David Ives is able to create fast paced shows that never have a dull moment."

De Metro was not lying. The first act was "Sure Thing," directed by Julia Frieri '10. Betty (Rachael Pearce '10) and Bill (De Metro) meet in a coffee shop and go through all sorts of hilariously awkward scenarios. Each time one of the characters says the phrase "sure thing," a bell dings and the conversation starts again until Bill and Betty have the perfect conversation.

"Mere Mortals," directed by Wendy Schibener '10, was the second act. The act starts as an ordinary day for three construction workers. They are eating lunch as usual until Charlie (William Woods '11) announces to Joe (Jakob Schaeffer '10) and Frank (David Shepard '09) that he is in fact, the missing Lindbergh baby. Joe is skeptical, but Charlie's announcement leads Frank to proclaim he is the long lost son of the last Russian tsar. After a while, Charlie and Frank get Joe to declare that in a past life he was Marie Antoinette.

The third act was "A Singular Kinda Guy," a monologue directed and performed by Scott Van Pelt '10. Scott plays a guy just realizing he is not a man, but actually a typewriter. (Yes, a typewriter.) He expresses this new realization to a girl (Erica Manion '10), who, at the end of the monologue, whispers to the typewriter guy she is not actually a girl but a piece of paper—a match made in heaven.

"The Philadelphia," also directed by Frieri, is the fourth act in the show. Poor Marcus (Eddie Paillet '11) is having a horrible day, and nothing is going his way. He finds his friend Al (Sam Nelson '11) in a restaurant. Al (who is in Los Angeles getting what he wants)



Enche Tjin — The Bucknellian
Stacey Featherstone '09 and Becky Miller '11 played monkeys in "Words, Words, Words!" This scene is from the finale of the show.

tells Marcus the reason Marcus is having a bad day is because he is in "a Philadelphia," which is a "black hole" where you never get

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—Joe De Metro '09

want you want. Al tells Marcus how to deal with being in a Philadelphia (ask for what you do not want and you will get what you want) until the tables are turned. Al ends up in a Philadelphia and Marcus ends up getting what he wants, including the waitress (Morgan Berg '09).

The last act of the show is "Words, Words, Words," directed by Van Pelt. Stacey Featherstone '09, Becky Miller '11 and Emily Riggins '10 are monkeys who are part of a sci-

entific experiment typing on typewriters. The experiment is the "Infinite Monkey Theorem," where monkeys typing at random for infinity will eventually produce Shakespeare's Hamlet. Swift (Featherstone), Milton (Miller) and Kafka (Riggins) start to question why they are typing endlessly on a typewriter for a scientist and whether or not they will produce Hamlet.

"David Ives One Acts" was hilarious and entertaining. Each act was just as funny and clever as the next, and all the actors were strong in their character portrayal. The audience sat on bleachers on the stage close to the actors, giving the show an intimate feel. The audience enjoyed the show so much that all three shows sold out, and people were sitting on the floor of the stage (including me). The actors probably had the most fun.

"My favorite part of performing in the show was the constant humor," De Metro said. "With only having two weeks to rehearse, every moment was always brand new, none of the lines ever got stale, and I was able to have a lot of fun as an actor. I also really enjoyed watching the other shows during dress rehearsals. Having actors with all different backgrounds and different directors really made for a dynamic show."

Jack Johnson's new album is his most mellow

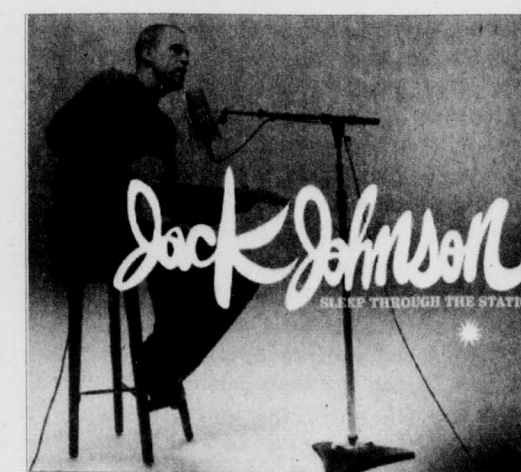
By RICHARD THORNBURGH
Writer

Jack Johnson's persona as a quiet Hawaiian surfer has been shaken up due to the fame from his previous albums, but that doesn't stop him from sticking to what he believes in when making music.

Johnson's newest album, "Sleep Through the Static," his first since 2006, is perhaps the most relaxed and mellow sounding of his five albums. After a playful and more upbeat "Sing-A-Longs and Lullabies" (for the film "Curious George"), in which he wrote and performed the soundtrack, Johnson seems to have taken a more relaxed approach to this record.

He starts off the CD with "All At Once." It's a perfect opening song because it lays out a simple melody with Johnson's voice controlling the track, rather than the background instruments, a common practice on Static. The chorus is probably one of the most catchy and enjoyable parts of a song on the entire record, but he doesn't let that end with the first song.

After the calm of the first track, the album alternates between slow and calm to energetic



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and fast. The next track and title song is "Sleep Through the Static." One can imagine hanging out by a fire on a beach sometime while listening to this song.

The next three songs are where Johnson's calmness of the album starts taking off, with "Hope," "Angel" and "Enemy."

"Hope" has a great reggae sound to it that made me listen to it several times because of its unique style. "Angel" is the most pleasing and calming song on the album.

The first released single, "If I Had Eyes," is a direct correlation to songs Johnson is used to making on albums, such as "Brushfire Fairytales" and "In Between Dreams." This first single is two favorite songs on the CD.

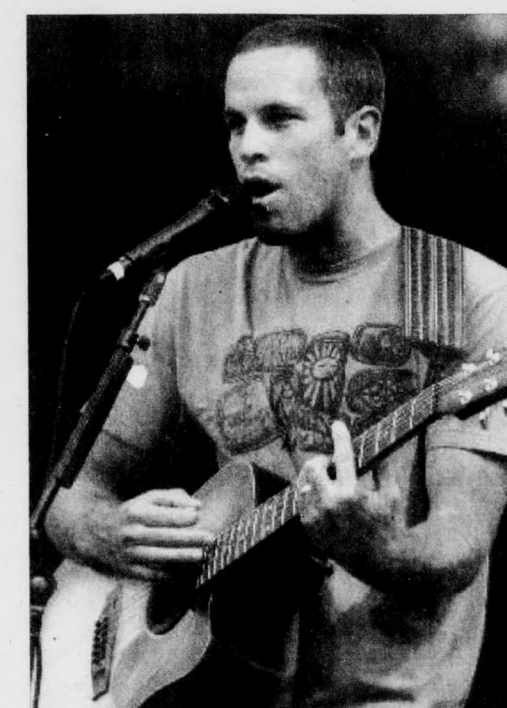
The second half of the album is more upbeat than the first, the better songs being "What You Thought You Need," "They Do, They Don't" and "Monsoon."

"What You Thought You Need" has a great guitar beat starting off the song, while "They Do, They Don't" has eerie harmonica and guitar chords that seem out of place on the album. They bring a pleasant variety to the record.

"Monsoon" is another favorite, combining the sounds of his previous albums with his new, softer sound. The album finishes with soft, relaxing guitar and vocals that add a new dimension to his musical style, though it could have been more risqué in its entirety.

The only criticism I would give "Sleep Through the Static" is that Jack Johnson, one of the most laidback guys in the music industry, was a little too laidback in his songwriting.

In the end, it remains a good album that I will be listening to for months to come.



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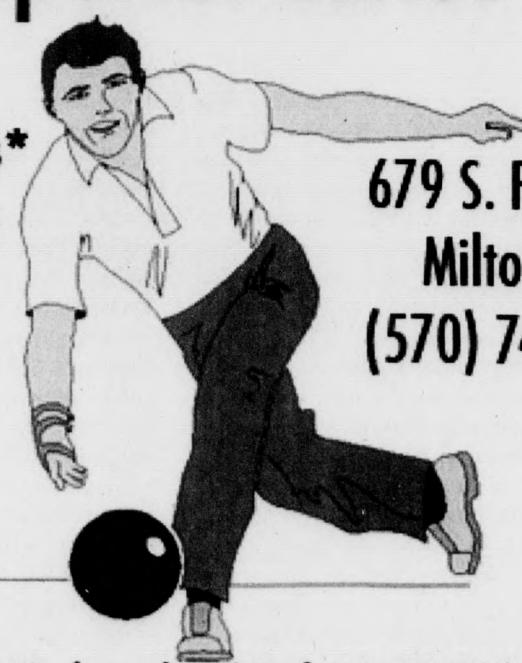
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T-Pain's debut album was released in 2005. His hits include "Buy U a Drank (Shawty Snappin)" and "Bartender."

BY SARAH HALLOWELL
Contributing Writer

This year's spring concert will feature Third Eye Blind and T-Pain on Saturday April 5, the Concert Committee announced. Hip-Hop/R&B artist T-Pain is fairly new to the music scene. His debut album, "Rappa Ternt Sanga," was released in 2005, and his latest album "Epiphany" was released last year. T-Pain has had several top hits such as "Buy U a Drank (Shawty Snappin)" and "Bartender." He has been nominated for various awards, such as Grammys and MTV Video Music Awards. On Sunday he won the Grammy for Best Rap Song for "Good Life," on which he collaborated with a previous University concert performer, Kanye West. Most recently he was featured in Flo-Rida's hit "Low," which has been on full rotation at more than a few frat parties here at the University.

Alternative rock band Third Eye Blind achieved popular success in the late 1990s with their hit self-titled debut record. They had several popular singles off that CD such as "Semi-Charmed Life," "Jumper" and "How's It Going to Be." The band released its sophomore album, "Blue," in 1999, but it was not as successful, and the band went on a brief hiatus. They recorded their third album "Out of the Vein" in 2003 and are expected to release a fourth, "The Hideous Strength," sometime this year.

This will be Third Eye Blind's second trip to the University, where they performed in Sojka Pavilion in 2003. That was the first concert to be performed in Sojka Pavilion after construction was completed.

T-Pain will be the first act of the concert. He will be followed by Third Eye Blind's opening band (yet to be announced) and then Third Eye Blind. The concert committee had to get permission from Third Eye Blind for T-Pain to perform. Then T-Pain also had to agree to perform with Third Eye Blind. Both artists gave a definite yes, although Third Eye Blind and T-Pain are on almost opposite sides of the music spectrum.

"We have done the spring concert before with two different genres. There are different groups of people coming together to listen to music that you may not be used to, while listening to something you are," Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad said.

Fans of both rap and alternative will have the chance to listen to some great music and be exposed to something new. Tickets go on sale Monday, Feb. 18. Students get the first chance to buy tickets for \$25 at the box office. Students have one week to buy tickets for \$25, and then the general public will be able to purchase tickets on Feb. 25 for \$35.

On the night of the concert, the doors of Sojka Pavilion will open at 7 p.m. and the concert will start at 8 p.m.

Eavan Boland to return to campus

Irish poet is famous for her writing on women's issues and Irish history

BY ANNIE LEISTER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

World-renowned Irish poet Eavan Boland will be reading her poetry in Bucknell Hall Feb. 19, at 7:00 p.m. to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the Stadler Center for Poetry.

It will not be Boland's first visit to Lewisburg — she read and lectured at the University in the fall of 1999 as part of a focus semester on Ireland and, in 2000, was the University's Commencement speaker.

"We're delighted to have Eavan Boland returning to Bucknell to read from her poetry. Given Boland's contribution to literature worldwide, I can't think of a better way than her visit to celebrate the Stadler Center's long-standing support of poetry and the literary arts at Bucknell and beyond," said Shara McCallum, assistant professor of English and director of the Stadler Center for Poetry.

Boland's visit is co-sponsored by the English department with support from the Vivian Miller



Domestic Violence was published in 2007. It is Boland's ninth collection of poetry.

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Fund for Irish Studies. Boland's last visit was very exciting — one of the best poetry readings I've heard here, followed by an excellent lecture in the Stadler Center the next night," said John Rickard, a professor of English who specializes in Irish literature.

Boland has published nine collections of poetry, most recently a volume titled "Domestic Violence" (2007). She is also the co-editor of a poetry textbook, "The Making of a Poem: A Norton Anthology of Poetic Forms," used by students in the Creative Writing Form and Theory class.

Boland has won various awards including a Lannan Foundation Award in Poetry and an American Ireland Fund Literary Award.

Currently, Boland splits her time between California and Ireland and directs the creative writing program at Stanford University.

Over her career, Boland has realized the accomplishment of becoming an eminent female writer in Ireland's decidedly male-dominated literary culture. In her poetry as well as essays, Boland links her personal history, frequently from the perspective of a woman and mother over various stages of life, and her nation's colorful and often violent past.

In addition, like many non-American writers of English literature, Boland achieved poetic fame in the United States.

"She is a really important voice in world literature and, more specifically, in contemporary Irish literature. Her poems address Irish traditions in complex ways that bring the nexus between history and mythology to the forefront in a unique way," Rickard said.

The various historical themes in Boland's work include the lengthy colonization of Ireland, tragic events such as the potato famine of the 1840s, and the religious conflict continuing today in the country.

"The subtext of Boland's attention to history... is the legacy of British colonization and accompanying feelings of loss and exile, for Irish living within and outside of the country," McCallum said.

In addition to her reading, Boland will be holding a question and answer session at 4:00 p.m. in the Willard Smith Library of the Vaughan Literature Building.



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Eavan Boland was born in Dublin and currently splits her time between California and Ireland. She will be reading her poetry in Bucknell Hall on Feb. 19.

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One-Woman Shows

Features takes a closer look at two senior theater majors who wrote, directed and will star in hour-long performances this weekend.

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Saylor Says

BY MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

Fact: the men's basketball team has a 10-14 overall record, is 5-5 against Patriot League opponents and depending on the outcome of last night's Army-Holy Cross game might currently find itself without a home game in the league's post-season tournament.

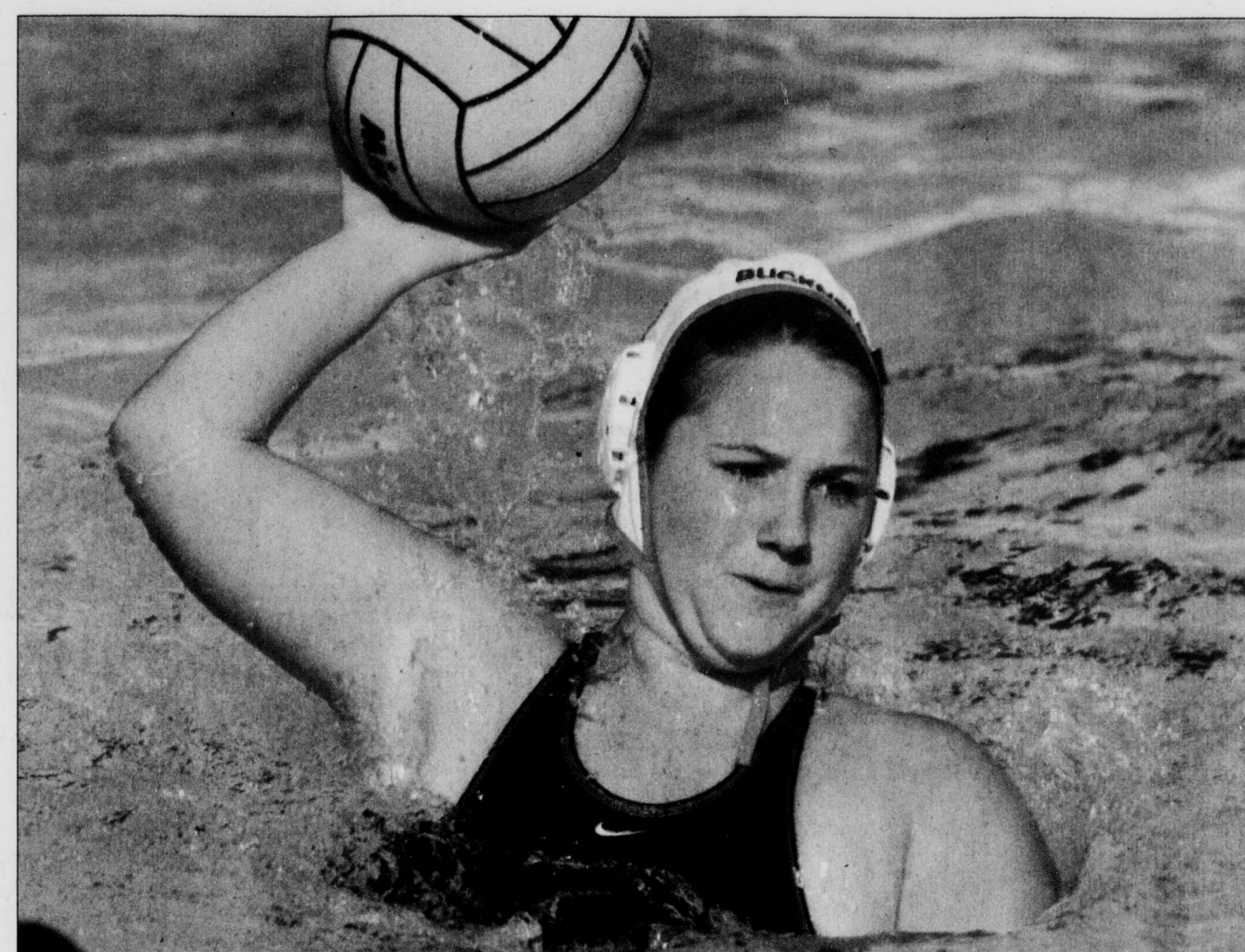
Fact: the season ain't over. While the Bison trail league-leading American by two games in the standings, they are only one-half game behind the teams tied for second place. With five league games remaining, the standings will undergo changes. There is still time for the team.

The team's struggles have been well-documented this season, and the group has struggled to find its collective identity. Will the Bison run the ball up and down the floor, or methodically move through their motion offense? Will they use their vaunted (in the past) match-up zone defense or play more man-to-man because of difficulties executing the zone?

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Water polo posts five straight wins

Women's water polo sweeps Hilton Hotels Colorado State Invitational to open season 5-0



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Megan Gins '08 rears back for a shot. Gins led the team with seven assists over the weekend and also scored eight goals. The Bison will compete next in the Princeton Invitational on Saturday and Sunday.

BY SHANNON PITTSCH
Senior Writer

The Bison women's water polo team dominated Marist Saturday, winning their opening match for the third time in four years.

The teams remained close in the first quarter, tied at 2-2, but the Bison responded with a 4-0 second to bring the lead to 6-2 at the close of the half. With two goals

each from the veteran offensive line of Valentina Rozas '10 and Jennifer Swoyer '08, and from newcomers Kandis Canonica '11 and Flavia McBride '11, the team dominated the remainder of the game. Shana Palencia '10 contributed to the 12-6 victory with three assists and one goal, while Alison Carter '10 had a strong showing in goal with seven saves in 32 minutes of action.

"I would say the highlight of the weekend for me was our team defense during our first game as a newly formed team. It

was really incredible how fast our team came together in order to play uniform, solid defense," said Meagan Gins '08, responsible for two of the team's 16 steals in the win.

With four goals from Swoyer and Haley Prickett '11 each, the Bison cruised to an 18-8 victory over West

coast opponent UC Santa Cruz. One goal shy of the program record of 19, the team scored at least four goals in every quarter

with six members of the squad contributing two or more goals.

"Our team's biggest strength is that we are so well rounded. Teams cannot double-team any single player, because everyone on the team is a scoring threat. We saw incredibly balanced scoring this weekend, and I think this will prove to be one of our biggest assets as a team," Aubrey Rowe '09 said.

While proving offensively dominant, the second match of the day featured Rachel McGillis '10 in her third career start in goal. She compiled 10 saves, thanks to the defensive efforts of Swoyer and Gins with four and two steals, respectively.

After two high-scoring matches at high altitude, the Bison faced Colorado State in their final match-up Saturday.

The team was forced to battle hard, with each of the first three quarters ending in a tie. But strong offensive contribution from Rozas with three goals, and Palencia and Gins with two each, prompted a 5-2 fourth quarter enabling the 12-9 victory. Carter and McGillis split time in goal with five and four saves, respectively, while Rozas led the defense with five steals in 32 minutes of action. The victory gave the Bison the number one seed going into the second day of competition and a 3-0 record for the second time in program history.

The team once again defeated UC Santa Cruz Sunday in a high scoring 15-9 semifinal. Rowe led the offense with four goals followed by Canonica and Prickett with three each.

"The highlight of our tournament this weekend was the second game against Marist,"

Rowe said. "We knew they would come out ready to play, and we came together as a team to win our fifth straight game. It took a lot to keep our composure and energy after playing four games before the championship

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Rowing teams host 12th annual Erg Armageddon

BY BRIAN MULLIGAN
Sports Editor

The men's and women's crew squads hosted the 12th annual erg Armageddon in Davis Gym last Sunday. The athletes against individually in two-kilometer races on stationary rowing machines called ergometers against each other through a computerized program. The Bison competed against teams from Penn State, Susquehanna and RIT. The competition consisted of races in both openweight and lightweight races at distances of 2000 meters and 500 meters. The women's team swept the 2000-meter races, while the men's team took the top five positions in the men's novice heavyweight.

"Erg Armageddon is a great opportunity to experience a

race-day situation," women's head coach Stephen Kish '92 said. "The women definitely made the most of the opportunity."

On the women's side in the 2000-meter events, Stephanie Frank '11 won the novice lightweight event in 7:55.5. In the novice openweight event, Carol Schoenecker '11 won the event in 7:14.4, breaking the event record set back in 2002. Whitney Henry '09 continued her reign for the second year, winning the varsity lightweight event in 7:42.0. Katie Brewster-Duffy '08 earned top honors in the varsity openweight event, finishing the two-kilometer race in 7:17.7.

The women's team also had numerous alumni back to compete in the alumni event. Volunteer assistant coach and graduate student, Christine

Drasba, won the 1000-meter alumni event along with fellow alumni Erin Henry '07, Laura Roberts '07, Susan Shadle '07 and Courtney Luzzi '06. The women's Bison parents also showed support for their children by competing in the master's events.

"A new addition to last year's Armageddon, the alumni event grew significantly this year and it was great for the current team members to meet the rowers who have come before them," women's assistant coach Katie Strum said. "The Orange and Blue had very strong showing in the men's novice heavyweight event, taking the top five spots. Tom Bernardi '11 was won the event in 6:33.9, while John Kauffman '11 finished less than four seconds behind Bernardi to claim the second spot. Barrett Womack '11, Brian Pendleton '11 and Hugh Shepard '11 rounded out the top five for the Bison, finishing third through fifth respectively.

"It thought the event was a great way for us to shake some rust off and get back to racing successfully," men's head coach Paul Bugenhagen said. "I was especially pleased that so many of our guys were able to earn medals at this weekend's event. I also thought that the race was exceptionally well run by the Women's coaches."

Tony Imbesi '11 was the top finisher for the Bison in the men's novice lightweight, finishing third in 6:58.1. In the men's varsity lightweight



Courtesy of Katie Strum

Whitney Henry '09 powers through her race. Henry won the varsity lightweight event for the second year in a row.

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Ryan Wins — The Bucknellian

Ryan Robinson '09 clears the bar in a high jump event. Robinson has won one high jump event this year, clearing six feet, 6 1/4 inches at the Bison Open in January.

Track and field wins 15 individual events

BY ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

On a day that saw the temperature drop below freezing, the weather inside the Gerhard Fieldhouse could be described as nothing less than electric. Both the men's and women's track and field teams cracked open the record books and left their marks on the cold blustery day in Lewisburg, Pa.

On the men's side, one of the most impressive performances of the day came from Wallace Campbell '08 who notched an eye-opening time of four minutes and 9.26 seconds.

"Wallace ran amazing on Saturday, impressing everyone with his time and he lowered his IC4A qualifying mark which will definitely help him in the future," Josh Clark '11 said.

To move on to elite meets at the end of the track season, an athlete must meet a certain criteria either by running, throwing or jumping that mark in their respective event. For men these marks are called IC4As, and for women they are referred to as ECACs. Although he did not win his event, David Mante

'08 vaulted a career-best 16-2 3/4, which also gave him an IC4A mark.

Continuing the outstanding performances in the field events, Tim Medlock '10 lowered his IC4A mark in the shot put for the seventh time this season with an explosive throw of 52-6, second all-time in the University record books. Medlock still has plenty of time to gain the five inches on his throw which would put him at No. 1.

The final IC4A mark came from Nicholas Hrush '11, high jumping 6-8 1/4 to give him a victory in that event. Hrush is gaining much attention as one of several talented first-years on the team.

The Bison dominated the sprinting events on the day as the tandem of Aj Kizekai '10 and Kevin Macleod '09 won the 55- and 200-meter dash, respectively. For Macleod his time of 22.43 in the 200 was a career best.

In the middle distance events, the team took home three gold medals, the first from Clement Gyan '10, flying across the line with a time of 1:06.45. Next

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Men's basketball loses two straight

By JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

The men's basketball team wrapped up a three-game road trip on Wednesday with another close loss, falling 68-64 at American. Despite the outcome, John Griffin '08 became the 33rd player in university history to score over 1,000 career points, while also moving into a tie for second on the all-time three-pointers made list with 206.

The loss followed another tight bout against Navy last Saturday, the Midshipmen outlasting the Bison 78-72. The two defeats drop the Bison to 10-14 on the season, and 5-5 in Patriot League play.

Against the Eagles the Bison trailed by as many as 16 points, but made up the deficit in the final minutes to cut the lead to just three. Griffin's shooting was clutch, but the Eagles made their free-throws in the final seconds to keep the Bison at a distance.

"This is the best we have competed in a long time," said Griffin after the game to The Daily Item. "A few bounces didn't go our way, but I'm excited to get back in the gym tomorrow."

The evening's starters included Daryl Shazier '11, starting in place of Justin Castleberry '09. Shazier scored a career-high eight points in 31 minutes. Griffin led the team with 24 points, while Stephen Tyree '10 added 11 points and seven rebounds.

The Orange and Blue trailed for the majority of the opening half, coming as close as three points after a nice jumper by Rob Thomas '08 off a Tyree dish with a little under seven minutes left in the half. The Eagles answered with seven straight points, taking a 35-

24 advantage into halftime.

American came out strong in the start of the second half as well, striking first to stretch the lead to 16. The Bison answered with points down low from Darren Mastropaolo '08 and Tyree, as well as two crowd-silencing threes from Griffin, slimming the lead down to just four with 14 minutes remaining in the half.

The Eagles were able to extend the lead back to double digits. The Orange and Blue were not done yet though, storming back again in the final minute to slice the lead to just seven

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—Pat Flannery '80, head coach

off Griffin's seventh three-pointer of the night with 38 seconds remaining. The Eagles made just one free-throw to Tyree's two on the next Bison possession. An American turnover followed with 21 seconds remaining to give Griffin another look, which he nailed to narrow the score to 65-62 with just 18 seconds left. American made just one free-throw on their resulting drive, but a Bison turnover put the Eagles back on the line for two more shots. American made both, securing a 68-64 win after Shazier drove the court for a final second lay-up.

The game against the Midshipmen marked the return of Head Coach Pat

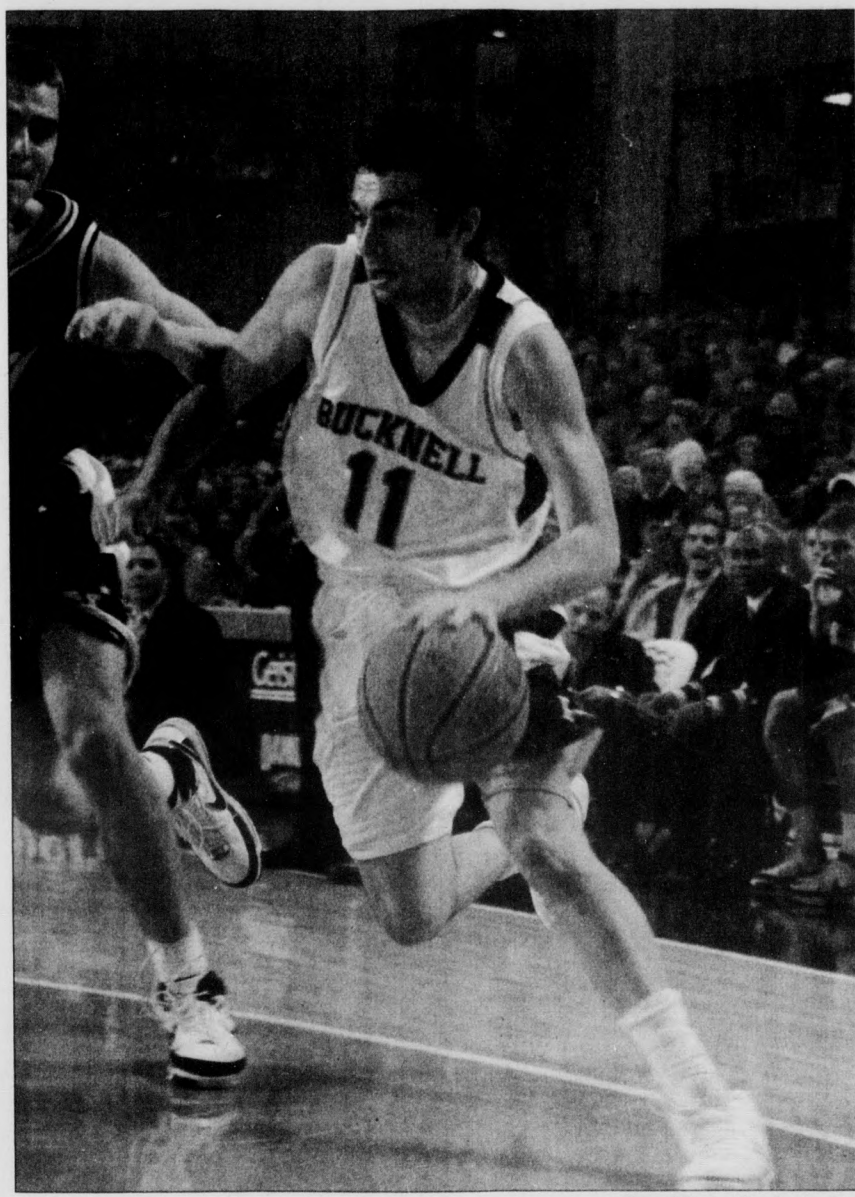
Flannery '80 to the bench following a two game absence due to medical issues. The Orange and Blue overcame another final minute deficit, but two big shots by Navy in the final minute held the surge. Griffin led the Bison from the floor with 19 points, going five for seven from three-point land. Tyree chipped in 12 points, and snatched up nine rebounds. Mastropaolo was perfect from the free-throw line (8-8), and had 12 points with seven rebounds underneath.

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The Orange and Blue opened the game with an 8-0 lead, spurred by two shots behind the arc from Griffin and Castleberry and a Tyree lay-up. The Midshipmen recovered from the tough start, clawing their way back to take their first lead of the game with six minutes remaining in the first half. From there, Navy continued to roll, as the Bison went cold from the floor, and a 13-3 run helped the Midshipmen to a 39-32 halftime lead.

Four minutes into the next half, the Bison had cut the deficit to one following three made Griffin free-throws. Attaining the lead was still elusive, as the deadly shooting of Kina Kaleo, Greg Sprink and Chris Harris kept the Bison just out of reach for the majority of half. With 2:36 remaining in the game, Shazier hit a big three-pointer, and then scored again on a lay-up off of a Kaleo turnover.

With the Navy lead cut to two at 68-66, the Midshipmen called a time-out to talk things over. Out off the huddle, Sprink hit a three to give Navy some breathing room. Mastropaolo and Sprink then took turns hitting clutch free throws to leave the score at 73-68 with 1:14 on the clock. Castleberry went to work in the lane on the following possession, getting the bucket and the foul for a three-



Ryan Winn—The Bucknellian
John Griffin '08 drives the baseline in a recent home game. Griffin has scored 1,010 career points, currently ranking him 32nd in University history.

point play. With a 73-71 lead and less than a minute on the clock, the Midshipmen worked the ball to Chris Harris in the corner for a deep shot under pressure to kick the lead to 76-71 with just 35 ticks left in the game.

The Bison managed to make just one free throw off the resulting possession, and despite a big offensive rebound by Jason Vegotsky '09, the Orange and Blue were unable to

threaten the Midshipmen again. Navy hit two more free throws in the final seconds for a 78-72 win.

The Orange and Blue return to action Saturday, hosting Holy Cross in Sojka Pavilion. Tip-off is set for 6 p.m., and will be broadcast on ESPN 2, as well as on ESPN360.com. The final home game of the season for the Bison, Senior Day, is Wednesday against Lafayette at 7 p.m.

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game."

The Orange and Blue came out strong leading the first quarter 3-2, but the lead was

matched by the Red Foxes creating a tie situation going into the final 16 minutes of competition. Behind Canonica and Rozas with four and three goals, respectively, the team dominated the second half with four goals in each quarter. This, combined with 12 team steals and 10 saves in goal from Carter, held Marist to just four goals total in the second half. Th Bison won its fifth game in two days 12-8, gaining a

Tournament Championship and a 5-0 record going into next weekend's Princeton Invitational.

"This was a strong training trip for us, to be in altitude for five games in two days will definitely pay off down the road for us as we begin the competitive phase of our schedule," said John Abdou, the team's interim head coach.

With a strong first-year class and a group of powerful veterans, the team is looking forward to building on their success in the coming weeks.

"Our goals this year remain the same," Abdou said, "and that is to win 20 games, win our championship tournaments and finish in the top five at Easterns."

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Men's tennis beats Quinnipiac; falls at Penn

By JORDAN BRODSKY
Staff Writer

The University men's tennis team took to the road for the first time this season, opening up with an easy 7-0 victory over Quinnipiac and falling on Sunday to the University of Pennsylvania by a score of 6-1.

The only singles winner for the Orange and Blue against UPenn was Ryan Sandburg '09 as he defeated Joseph Lok, 5-7, 5-4 after Lok retired. Sandburg and Ira Reibesen '08 paired up at the No. 1 doubles spot and dropped an 8-5 match to Jason Pinsky and Lok. Reibesen lost a close match to Pinsky, 5-7, 6-7. At the third singles spot for the Bison, Zach Hascoe '10 fell to Eric Riley 1-6, 6-7.

At the number four slot; Jonathan Brenner '09 was disposed of by Adam Schwartz, 3-6, 1-6. Brenner also lost his second doubles match paired along side Anton Kovic '11 by a score of 8-4 against Eric Riley

and Brandon O'Gara. Kovic lost his match by default in the second set after winning the first set 6-1 against Dmitry Bury. Finishing off singles play, Mark Malloy '11 fell to Justen Roth 5-7, 0-6. Finishing out the day at third doubles, Malloy teamed up with Ben Young '08 to defeat Zach Gorn and Bury at the 8-4.

Despite the setback, Malloy saw plenty out of his team that he liked in going up against a nationally ranked opponent in Penn.

"Ending the weekend playing a nationally ranked UPenn team was quite an experience, and we managed to give them a run for their money, not only winning a doubles and a singles match, but having other competitive matches against big time players. Although the weekend was long and tiring, it was an excellent and enriching experience," Malloy said.

The day before, the Bison took on Quinnipiac and looked

like a completely different team. They didn't drop a set to the Bobcats all day. Reibesen easily defeated John Hughes of Quinnipiac, 6-1, 6-1 at the number one singles spot. Teaming up with Sandburg in doubles, the duo defeated Brian Mikkelsen and Sean Peese, 8-5. Sandburg won his number two singles match over Mikkelsen, 6-3, 6-2. At the number three spot, Hascoe topped Sean Peese, 6-3, 7-6. Brenner won his fourth singles match defeating Charles Feldman, 6-3, 6-2. He paired up with Kovic in the number two doubles slot to defeat Feldman and Hughes 8-1. Kovic won his singles match over Thomas Curran, 6-3, 6-3. Rounding out singles play, Malloy disposed of Scott Salway, 6-0, 6-2. Malloy and Co-Captain Young won their third doubles match over Scott Salway and Thomas Curran 8-6 to make it a clean sweep for the Orange and Blue.

The atmosphere for first-years Anton Kovic and Mark Malloy is completely different than what they experienced in high school but the two are handling it very well. Malloy had great praise for his fellow first year.

"I believe I speak for Anton as well as myself when I say that the college game is far different than the high school game. We are playing grown men, some of whom have played over 200 matches in their career. Anton had a very impressive weekend, as well as a fantastic fall," Malloy said.

Malloy also mentioned the strong bond that he and Kovic were creating with the rest of the upperclassmen.

"The bond which we all share together is far more than one in a high school environment because we are constantly around one another, whether it is in practice, at a dinner, on an eight-hour bus ride or in a hotel room," Malloy said.

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Wrestling team overcome late by Lock Haven

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

The wrestling team lost 21-18 in a hard-fought meet against Lock Haven 21 Bucknell 18

Lock Haven on Friday. Despite leading 18-9 with just three matches remaining, the Bison were unable to hang on, and now fall to 7-10-1 on the year. Lock Haven improves to 8-6 overall.

Lock Haven jumped out to an early 3-0 lead in the match after John Trumbetti scored a 5-2 decision over José Matos '11 in the 125-pound bout. No. 18 Dave Marble '10 was soon to erase the deficit, though, with his 12-3 major decision over Billy Ashnault in the very next match at 133.

"Marble's attitude on the mat carries over on a few of us," teammate Shane Riccio '10 said. "I know watching him dominate his kid starts a fire in me."

Luke Chohany '10 continued his impressive season with a win in the 141-pound division. Chohany got off to an early 4-1 lead on his opponent, Clint Shirk, but was awarded a

six-point injury default victory. The bonus points helped give the Bison a 10-3 lead after just three matches.

The Bald Eagles made the score close again with two straight wins. First, Matt Fittery beat out Kevin LeValley '11 8-6 in the 149-pound weight class, and then 157-pounder John Mangini got past Brantley Hooks '10 7-3. The two decisions made the score 10-9 in favor of the Bison.

Andy Rendos, currently ranked 19th in the country among 165-pounders, was able to answer for the Orange and Blue with a dominating victory over Derek Caldwell. Rendos made it look easy as he scored an 18-2 technical fall to earn five more points for his team.

In the next match, Shane Riccio '10 continued his win streak with a 3-0 decision over Mike Metzger in the 174-pound bracket. Riccio hasn't lost a match since late November.

With an 18-9 lead, the Bison once again entered the rockiest stretch of their lineup needing very little to ensure a win for the team.

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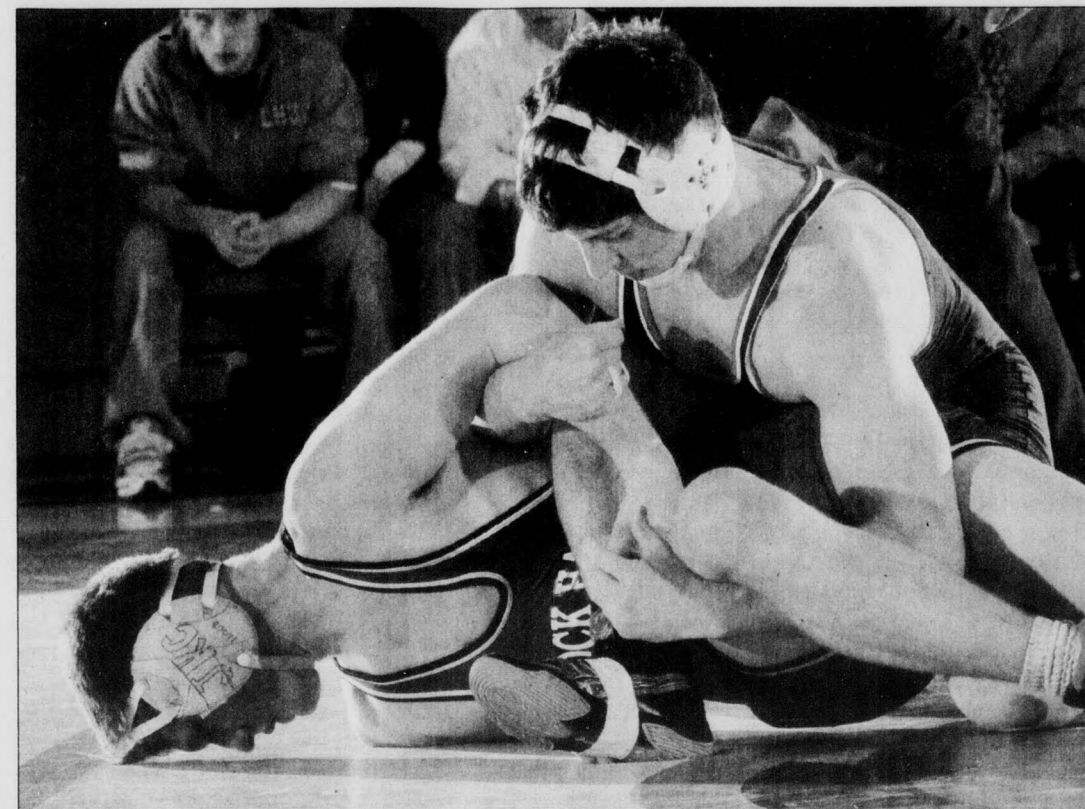
crowd in Davis Gym to propel them to a win, and the Bald Eagles notched three straight victories to steal the win.

A pin on Charlie Wonsettler '11 by Jeremie Cook in the 184-pound bout brought the score to 18-15 with two matches to go.

In the 197-pound match, Ben Hepburn outlasted Sean LoCurto '10 7-5 to even the score at 18-18. LoCurto held a lead in the match with take-down and near fall points going into the final round, but was ultimately unable to hold on against the aggressive Hepburn.

The match came down to the heavyweight division, in which George Hingson '10 faced off against Dan Craig. Hingson and Craig went back and forth until the final minute of the match, but in the end Craig proved victorious with a 10-5 decision that gave the Bald Eagles a 21-18 win.

With their home season drawing to a close this weekend, many Bison wrestlers are now beginning to focus on the EIWA tournament. "The biggest gains at this time of the year are made in your head. The physical part



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Andy Rendos '10 controls his opponent from Lock Haven. Rendos is currently the NCAA's 19th ranked wrestler in the 165-pound weight class.

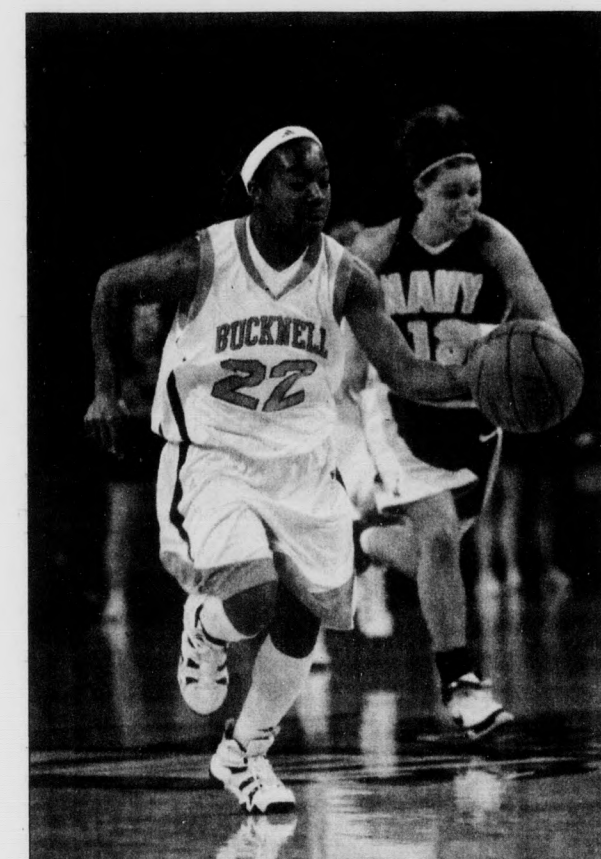
was put in early in the year," Luke Chohany said.

But as the tournament approaches, don't expect the Bison to overlook their remaining regular season opponents.

"With such a long season, many of your opponents will be thinking about just ending the year," Chohany added. "We have to capitalize on that."

The Orange and Blue will host East Stroudsburg tonight at 7 p.m. in Davis Gym before concluding their home schedule on Sunday against American at 1 p.m.

Women's basketball splits two before road trip



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Kristina Collymore '08 leads a fast break against Navy. Collymore has started 21 of 23 games.

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

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Twice this season the women's basketball team has won two consecutive games, and now twice the team has failed to extend that streak to three and assert itself in the Patriot League. The Bison (10-13 overall, 5-4 in Patriot League) lost 50-46 to American on Wednesday at Sojka Pavilion, following Saturday's 65-50 home win over Navy. If the season

ended today, the Orange and Blue would enter the Patriot League Tournament as the No. 6 seed. The Bison started slowly against the Eagles (12-12, 6-3), allowing a quick 11-0 run following a three-pointer by Lauren Schober '09 on the first possession. Back-to-back baskets by Hope Foster '08 would narrow the lead to four, but American consistently was able to keep its lead between six and eight points, and led by nine, 23-14, with three minutes and 55 seconds to go until halftime.

"It was a big game and you got to come to play," Bison Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said after the game. "There is no excuse for us not being ready to go."

The Orange and Blue opened the second half on a 6-0 run, to tie the game at 25 with 17:13 left to play, but that was the only time for the rest of the game that the Bison would be able to fly even with the Eagles.

Leading 48-41 with 4:48 left to play, American withstood another mini-Bison run. A jumper by Amanda Brown '09 cut the lead to five, and then a step-back Brown jumper that rimmed in and out was collected by Joyce Novacek '11, who converted garbage into gold with a lay-up and 2:23 left on the game clock.

Reigning Patriot League Rookie of the Week Liz Leer led the Eagles with a game-high 18 points, nearly all of which came within 10 feet of the hoop.

"I'm doubly bothered by [our post play]," Fedorjaka said. "We couldn't get [good position], and we didn't work hard enough for it. Defensively, Foster can't block a shot if she is already right under the cylinder."

Foster scored a team-high 17 points for the Bison, making the first three-pointer of her career in the process. However, once Foster's seven made shots in eight attempts are taken away from the team's total, the Orange and Blue shot just 27.3 percent from the field. Novacek scored eight points and tied her career-high with 13 rebounds.

Against the Midshipmen (5-19, 1-

8), the Bison got off to another slow start offensively, but their defense and rebounding kept them in the game. The Orange and Blue trailed 6-2 with 14:25 to go in the first half, scoring only on Novacek and Schober free throws. Novacek already had seven rebounds by this point in the game, and Schober finally hit the team's first field goal at the 13:26 mark.

Novacek's steal and fast-break lay-up, a Schober jumper and a bucket by Kesha Champion '08 gave the Bison a 12-10 lead with 7:59 to play until halftime. This lead would extend to as high as 11 in the first half, but Navy went into the locker room down just 32-27.

The Midshipmen stuck with the Orange and Blue early in the second half, but the Bison's lead reached double-digits, 52-40, on a Taylor Phillips '11 three-pointer with 10:37 to go and would remain there for the

rest of the game.

Schober had an excellent all-around game, finishing with a game-high 17 points, six rebounds, five assists and zero turnovers. The inside play of Foster (10 points, eight rebounds) and Novacek (career-high 11 points, 12 rebounds for her first career double-double) helped the team's outside shooters with their game.

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Phillips and Champion also scored 10 points, giving the Orange and Blue five players in the scoring column finishing with double-digits.

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Women's tennis wins one out of three

JOHN MŁODZINSKI
Senior Writer

The University women's tennis team ran into a tough Syracuse squad Sunday, falling 6-1. In the No. 1 singles spot, Paulina Gamboa '09 fell to Christina Tan 6-4, 6-1, while Lauren Lucido '11 dropped her No. 2 singles match to Simone Kalthorne 6-3, 6-3.

Carlin Calcaterra '10 fell to Maria Vasilyeva 6-2, 6-1 in the No. 3 singles spot while Dara Dwojewski '11 lost in the No. 4 singles spot 6-2, 6-2 to Ashley Spicer.

In the No. 5 singles spot, Caitlin Baffa '08 was beaten by Jacquelyne Tang 6-2, 6-0. The lone victory for the Bison came in the No. 6 spot when Lauren Rottkamp '11 won in comeback fashion against Chelsea Jones 6-3, 7-6, 7-5.

The doubles matches did not go much better for the Bison as they failed to pick up a victory in any of the three. Gamboa and Calcaterra fell to Tan and Kalthorne 8-3 in the No. 1 doubles spot. In the No. 2

doubles spot, Lucido and Baffa lost a hard fought battle to Vasilyeva and Jones 8-7, 7-4. Finally, in the No. 3 doubles spot, Dwojewski and Renee Weissend '10 fell to Spicer and Tang, 8-1.

The previous day, the Bison were able to breakthrough and pick up their first win of the season against Quinnipiac, 6-1. The team played hard throughout the match and it showed.

In the No. 1 singles match, Lucido had her hands full as it took three sets to defeat Mary Wilson 6-4, 3-6, 6-3. The only loss of the match for the Bison came in the No. 2 singles match when Gamboa fell to Jackie Herb 6-4, 6-2.

"I gave it my best and even though I didn't win in singles, I felt like I ended up winning since I played well and fought hard," Gamboa said.

In the No. 3 singles spot, Calcaterra dropped Amanda Petrucci 6-3, 6-3, while Dwojewski easily handled Lisanne Steinert in the No. 4 singles spot 6-1, 6-4. In the No. 5 singles match, Baffa con-

quered Shawna Sarson 6-4, 6-3, while Rottkamp overcame Nicole Adams 6-3, 6-3 in the No. 6 singles spot.

The momentum continued for the Bison right into the doubles matches as they were victorious in all three matches. Gamboa and Calcaterra teamed up to defeat Herb and Petrucci 9-8, 7-5 in the No. 1 doubles spot.

In the No. 2 double spot, the duo of Baffa and Lucido overpowered Steinert and Kasey Rosenberger 8-4, while Dwojewski and Weissend easily handled Sarson and Adams 8-3.

Earlier that day, the team faced Cornell in the first of their three weekend matches. The team was not able to withstand the intense pressure from Cornell, as they failed to record a single point in the match.

In the No. 1 singles match, Gamboa was defeated by Elizabeth Googe 6-3, 7-5, while Lucido fell in a close match to Sinziana Chis 7-6, 6-4 in the No. 2 singles spot.

Tamara John got the best of Calcaterra 6-2, 6-2 in the No. 3

singles match, while in the No. 4 singles spot Dwojewski was not able to keep up with Dana Cruite as she dropped her match 6-3, 6-3. Baffa lost to Melissa Orteza 6-1, 6-1 in the No. 5 singles spot, and Weissend lost 6-1, 6-1 to Catherine Duboc in the No. 6 singles spot.

The doubles matches were just as tough for the Bison, as the team lost all three. In the No. 1 doubles match, Calcaterra and Gamboa fell to Googe and John 8-6. In the No. 2 doubles match, Dwojewski and Baffa fell to Shayna Miller and Cruite 8-1, while Lucido and Rottkamp fell to Chis and Duboc 8-3.

Although the team would like to see more victories, they know that right now they face tough opponents and are not completely dissatisfied with the results.

"This weekend we played tough matches. Even though we lost to Syracuse and Cornell, I felt that everyone gave their best effort to do the best they could do, which is all I could ask from them," Gamboa said.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Dara Dwojewski '11 prepares to return a serve. Dwojewski is 6-3 in singles play and 5-4 in doubles play this season.

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was Kyle Ramer '10 in the 800-meter, beating the rest of the field by almost a second in an event known for its close finishes. Brian Mooney '08 capped off a great day for the mid-distance team, winning the 1000-meter run in 2:30.91 and besting his competitors by a second and a half.

The day was also a success for the girl's team which saw Amanda Mockbee '08 win the weight throw with 54-11 1/2, a career best and an ECAC qualifying mark. The women's team matched the men's teams in wins in the 500 and 1000 with Allison Janda '10 and Mariel Fink '08 both winning hard-fought battles to claim the crowns. Offbea Hanson-Hall '08 turned heads in the mile run, winning the event by

over eight seconds and leading many to believe that in the future she could break the elusive 5:10 mark.

Chelsey Musante '10 was another winner for the Bison on the day, posting a distance in the shot of 41-5 3/4, beating her personal best from a year ago. The only double event winner of the day was Amy Mantush '10, winning the triple jump in 37-9 1/2 and came back two hours later to win the high jump, soaring 5-5.

Jake Schroeder '11 said, "This was the last meet for all the guys this season as only certain athletes will continue on to the league meet." Both the men's and women's teams have been picked to finish in the top three in the Patriot League so the pressure is on for the Bison as they play host to the meet Feb. 22-24 in the Gerhard Fieldhouse.

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Will the team start the game slowly or energized?

These are just a few of the questions that have been asked this year and half-way through February is past time to still be searching for answers. However, there is still time.

The team's rotation has changed a lot too, based on injuries and performance. Patrick Behan '10 started the first 11 games of the year, then came off the bench for the next 12. He didn't even play against American. Justin Castleberry '09 came off the bench against the Eagles, following a string of subpar performances, replaced in the line-up by Darryl Shazier '11. Eleven different players have started at least two games. John Griffin '08 and Stephen Tyree '10 are the only players to have started every game. The team needs to figure out who it can count on and who it cannot. However, there is still time.

With two home games left, tomorrow against Holy Cross and Wednesday's Senior Day game against Lafayette, the Bison need to be able to count on their

fans, quite a few of whom have disappeared this year. Twenty-win seasons and championships deserve support, but losses do not deserve desertion. The team needs its fans now more than ever, and a nationally televised game against the Bison's top-rival is the first opportunity to show that the team still has its town—and its student body—behind them. The game on Wednesday cannot be overlooked either, as Griffin, Darren Mastropolo '08 and Rob Thomas '08 will be honored for being the second-winningest class in University history. The fans, especially the students, need to show the team some love again. There is still time.

There are some Patriot League teams that have more talent, others that have more experience and than those that play with the most heart. Heart is always the biggest factor, and if you have it, win or lose, a team can walk away with its head held high.

The Orange and Blue still have an opportunity to finish at the top of the league, if they answer their questions. The Bison just need to closeout this season with all the heart they have because you know what? Fact: Soon there will be no more time.

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10th Annual Vagina Monologues starts today

A cultural phenomenon, students perform Eve Ensler's play to raise awareness for empowerment of women

By RAJAA QADRI
Staff Writer

This year marks the 10th annual student performance of the Vagina Monologues. Created by author Eve Ensler in 1996, the play consists of a number of monologues dealing with issues related to women and their vaginas.

The Vagina Monologues originated from Ensler's conversations with friends and family about the roles of women in society. These

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— Sarah Concannon '08, campus coordinator of V-Day

conversations soon turned into formal interviews with various women and women's organizations.

After conducting over 200 interviews with women and their views on sex, relationships and violence, Ensler set out to write

the Vagina Monologues.

Initially Ensler wrote seven monologues and performed all of them herself. Later they were performed by different women. New monologues are added to the series every year.

Since the monologues were introduced to campus, and since then there have been mixed emotions and opinions toward them by the University community.

"Some people just don't take the time to understand the purpose of putting up the Monologues every year," said Nayo Matthews '08, the Spotlight Campaign Coordinator.

"This is why I wanted to be the spotlight campaign coordinator to do the educational programming on campus about it. There are many people who are just turned off by the word 'vagina.' But there are always others who love the monologues and find them empowering, funny and poignant."

After watching the Vagina Monologues her freshmen year, Matthews was interesting in participating. She performed in the Monologues her sophomore year and will perform this year in the monologue "I was in the room."

In 1998, the purpose of the Vagina Monologues changed from a celebration of femininity to a movement to stop violence against women called V-Day. The "V" stands for vagina, victory and violence.



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Actresses from the 2006 campus production of Eve Ensler's Vagina Monologues perform a scene dressed in black and red. This year's production will be in the Harvey Powers Theatre tonight and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$10 with cash or BUID.

"The tag line for V-day, founded by Eve Ensler, is 'until the violence stops,'" said Matthews. "The organization is about raising awareness about sexual assault and empowering women."

Every year, Ensler chooses a spotlight campaign to bring media attention to a particular issue and raise funds.

Ten percent of the profits from all productions of the Vagina Monologues go towards the spotlight campaign. The other 90 percent of profits go to local organizations working to end violence against women.

Bucknell will donate its profits to Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition (SVWIT).

This year, Ensler chose the women of New Orleans and the Gulf South as the spotlight campaign.

To mark its 10th anniversary, V-day will celebrate at the Superdome in New Orleans.

Sarah Concannon '08, campus coordinator of V-day on campus, added that they have set a goal of raising \$10,000 for SVWIT.

Kim Daubman, professor of psychology and advisor of Vagina Monologues on campus, said the performance is really about women reclaiming their bodies.

"Our society tends to make

women's bodies the object of pleasure for men—turning women into objects rather than subjects. Whenever people are objectified, violence against them becomes more likely, so another major aim of Vagina Monologues is to speak out against violence against women," Daubman said.

According to the V-Day Web site, over 3,700 V-Day benefit events are coordinated by volunteer activists in over 1,250 locations in the United States, educating millions of people about the reality of violence against women and girls.

This is the first time the V-Day group has put up a Vagina Monologue art show on campus. It is another approach to raising awareness in the community about violence inflicted on women. The art show was displayed in the LC Center room on Monday and Tuesday.

"As president of V-Day [at the University], I've put in a lot of time because I believe that V-Day can have a real impact on this campus. The University is in need of some alternative voices—some political and social action," Concannon said.

"There is still a lot of resistance on campus, but more starting is the amount of support and help that I get from the other members of V-Day. We have a wonderful community on campus—a vagina community—and thank goodness for that."

Senior women take the stage

Two theater majors write, direct and star in one-woman productions

By SCOTT VAN PELT
Writer

The department of theatre and dance is showcasing the works of Anastasia Peterson '08 and Janine Merolla '08 in "Life as a Ball: A Tribute to Lucille Ball" and "Small Talk" this weekend.

Each year, the department of theatre and dance highlights the work of talented theatre majors. In the past, the University has seen students both direct and act in main stage productions.

Originally conceived as a Theater 319 project, "Life as a Ball: A Tribute to Lucille Ball" and "Small Talk" are unique because they have each been written and directed by Peterson and Merolla, respectively. The actresses will also star in their own productions.

When Peterson first considered writing her own play, the choice of topic was obvious.

"I knew I wanted to do a solo play, and it didn't take me that long to jump to Lucille Ball because she's been my idol for years," Peterson explained.

The play, drawing largely off of old letters, books, phone calls and episodes of "I Love Lucy," is a tribute to the actress and a testament to precisely how she



Photo courtesy of the department of theater and dance
Anastasia Peterson '08 and Janine Merolla '08 supported each other throughout their creative processes. These seniors' one-woman productions will be performed at Tustin Theatre at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 15 to 18.

has impacted Peterson's life.

"I needed to put myself in it and show people how this woman has influenced me over the years," Peterson said.

Merolla's play, "Small Talk," is a deeply autobiographical piece. Initially envisioned as a series of one-woman monologues, beginning with Jane Martin's "French Fries," it quickly evolved after Merolla explained the significance of the monologue to Cary Grant, associate professor of theatre.

"French Fries" was the last monologue my mother performed as an actress. She was

also pregnant with me when she performed it," Merolla said in the program notes.

Offstage, Peterson and Merolla are close friends and next-door-neighbors. This relationship has proved increasingly helpful as the process developed.

"It's been great having each other to bounce ideas off of," Peterson said. "It's been awesome having someone in it with us."

Both actresses found the amount of work that goes into a production surprising, and in some cases, almost overwhelm-

ing.

"Here, you have to be your own director, you have to be your own costume designer, set designer, light designer and actor," said Peterson.

Other challenges also presented themselves along the way.

"As the idea of writing a piece about my parents and myself evolved, it was really difficult for me to try and find a way of making my personal life interesting to other people," Merolla said.

"The integration of slideshows, songs and media was a really big step in helping audiences identify with who we are as people."

Honest, ambitious and each highly personal in their own way, "Life as a Ball" and "Small Talk" are sure to delight and move University audiences.

"It's just us out there," Merolla said, "unplugged."

The hour-long shows will run back to back at Tustin Studio Theatre, beginning at 8:30 p.m. on Feb. 15, 16, 17 and 18. They will also feature Amanda Fernandez '08, as Lucy's maid, and Caroline Benton '10, accompanying Merolla on piano.

Admission is \$6 for students, \$8 for others.

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ACROSS

1. File
5. Wrinkly fruit
9. Drag one's feet
14. Cheryl Crow's "___ Wanna Do"
15. Major-League
16. Salt's conquest
17. Use it to get some
19. Ladies' man
20. Relates (to)
21. Condiment (sp.)
22. Demolition stuff
23. Shower alternative
24. wire
28. Armed conflict
29. Sweat source
33. Cy Young, e.g.
34. Numero Uno
35. Quotation notation (abbr.)
36. "Six Feet Under" son
37. Reservations
38. Poker variety
39. Side by side?
40. Stalactite site
41. Union member
42. "we forget"
43. Exist
44. Slipped through the cracks
45. Rancher's concern
47. Factory worker, disparagingly
48. All thumbs
51. Indonesian city
56. Desert sanctuary
57. Use it to get some
58. Amphitheater
59. Singer India ___
60. Sandwich shop
61. "Yum!"
62. Catcher's catcher
63. Gardener's spring purchase

DOWN

1. Turnpike turnoff
2. Skin soother
3. Insult
4. Jolie's love
5. Direction
6. Actor Cary
7. Red ink amount
8. Relative of -esque
9. Jack who ate no fat
10. Use it to get some
11. Charity
12. In ___ of (replacing)
13. Roller coaster feature
18. More than unpopular
21. Golf course rentals
23. Butter up!
24. Trité
25. Cognizant
26. Hotel posting
27. Use it to get some
28. Bob's companion
30. Like draft beer
31. Itinerary
32. Shut down
34. Uncle Sam feature
37. A la King
41. "Love Story" author
44. Cold dessert
46. Blue book filler
47. Biblical measure
48. Checked item
49. Actress ___ Flynn Boyle

50. Puts to work
51. Cruise crew's youngest
52. Resting places
53. "A Death in the Family" author

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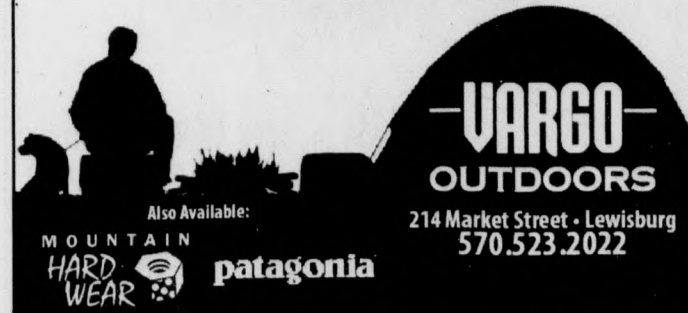
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The Essentials

Everything you really need to
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Making your clothes last longer

By RINA VAN ORDEN & SARAH ROTH
Features Editors

Laundry basics are important, but there's more to keeping your clothes in good condition than just sorting darks and lights. And having some sewing and mending skills at hand can keep you out of the tailor's and save you in a bind.

Whether it's to keep your favorite pair of jeans from going in the give-away bag, fix a rip during a work day, or just to save a little money, these tricks can help you keep your clothes like new.

Laundry

First off, make sure you always read tags on your clothes to know whether they should be machine washed, hand-washed or dry cleaned. This goes for drying as well—some can be tumbled dry while others need to hang or lay flat.

If you need to wash darks and lights together or are worried about a specific item bleeding color, you can use Shout Color Catcher sheets (which can be purchased at grocery stores) to trap any excess dyes.

When it comes to stains, always be sure to identify the fabric, age of the stain, exact content of the stain and especially whether the stain is greasy or not.

Try first to remove any stain with cold or lukewarm water. Then scrub the spot with detergent before washing. If the stain is greasy and the previous suggestions haven't helped, use hot water and/or bleach to remove it.

A good item to keep on hand is spot stain removers like Stain Stick, Spray'n'Wash or Shout spray. Some spot stain removers can be put on the stain and left to soak for a week or two, while others need to be put on right before you wash. Read the labels to know which kind you're purchasing.

You can also buy special spot cleaners that can be used on tough, old stains or enzyme bleaches that will remove meat, egg and other organic stains.

Specific types of stains require different methods for complete removal.

Blood can be removed with hydrogen peroxide. Soak the stained area as long as necessary to get most of the blood out before you wash, but don't leave your clothing in the peroxide for an extended period of time as it may make a hole.

For ballpoint pen, either scrub the stain with rubbing alcohol or spray hairspray on the spot and rub it off with a dry cloth. Repeat if necessary.

Red wine stains (and other red liquids) should be sprinkled with salt immediately after the spill. Then dip the area in cold water and rub the stain out before washing.

You can remove any stains caused by fruit if you pour boiling water directly on them from a height of several feet. It is not recommended you use these techniques on fabrics that should be dry cleaned (like silk and rayon), as you could cause permanent damage.

For more information on how to get out specific types of stains, visit www.shoutitout.com.

Quick Fixes

Keep an emergency sewing kit in your car or office. They're small and only a couple dollars. Put all of your extra buttons in one place so you know exactly where to look for a replacement if you need it.

If you're a fan of high-heels, keep super glue in your purse in case your heel breaks in the middle of the day. Make sure you give the glue a little time to solidify.

Use clear nail polish to stop runs in pantihoes. Keep a plastic poncho and/or umbrella in your car or office in case of rain.

If you rip your pant hem during the day, put double-sided tape in between the fabric to keep it together until you have a chance to mend it.

Hemming

Admittedly not everyone is a craft wizard, but knowing how to hem a pair of pants can save you a huge amount of money, and wearing pants that are the correct length is necessary in any office environment. Getting a pair of pants hemmed at a tailor can cost upwards of 15 to 20 dollars, and hemming them yourself is virtually free if you own the basics. All you need is a needle, thread, iron, pins, ruler, sharp scissors and chalk.

First, turn the garment inside out, and take out the old hem. This is easily done by cutting the old stitch and pulling out the thread. Iron the garment flat.

Try on the garment with the shoes you plan to wear with it. Pin the pants at least four times on each leg where you want the new hem, and mark the new hemline with chalk. Remove the pants, turn them inside out, and iron where the new hem will be. Try on the pants again to make sure they are the right length.

Now you are ready to sew. Most pant hems are one and a half to two inches long from the bottom of the pant to the stitch, but you will want to leave one inch more than that because you will fold over some to make a clean hem. Cut off excess pant material, leaving two and a half to three inches of extra fabric past the hemline.

Fold the last half inch of fabric under so the edge looks finished. Iron the hem again, and re-pin the pants so the hem doesn't move while you sew. Pick a color of thread close to the original hem color, and whip-stitch the new hem. Repeat on the other leg. A whip-stitch is very easy; go to <http://www.burdastyle.com/howto/show/62> for a picture tutorial.

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With the University's new initiative to make our campus green, here are some ways you can go green, too

By SARA ROTH AND
RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editors

With the President Mitchell's choice to sign the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment and efforts like Recycle-mania currently underway, protecting the environment has become a major cause on campus.

Although it may seem like there is little students can do to help the University "go green," there are actually many ways we affect the environment every day.

By changing small habits, we can easily reduce our impact here on campus and globally as well.

Hilary Weinstein contributed to this article.

Some statistics to consider

- The average American produces 4.6 pounds of trash per day (more than 230 million tons per year).
- Americans throw away 2.5 million plastic bottles every hour.
- Almost one-third of the waste generated in America is packaging.
- Each ton of recycled paper can save 17 trees, 380 gallons of oil, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, 4,000 kilowatts of energy and 7,000 gallons of water.
- One tree can filter up to 60 pounds of pollutants from the air each year.
- Plastic is accountable for the deaths of more than a million seabirds and more than 100,000 marine mammals such as whales, dolphins and seals every year.
- 40% of America's rivers and 46 % of America's lakes are too polluted for fishing, swimming, or aquatic life.
- 12% of the earth's plant species could become extinct over the next 20 years.

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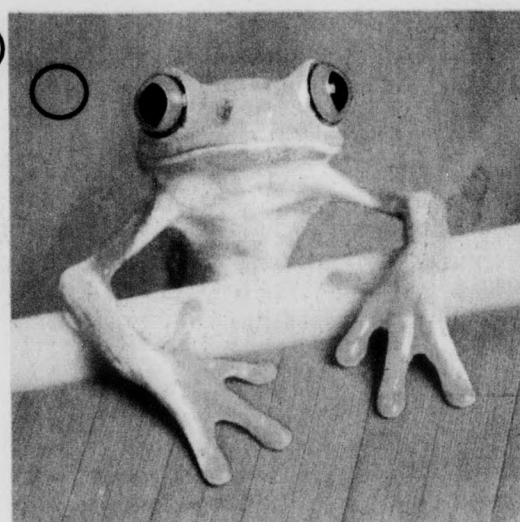
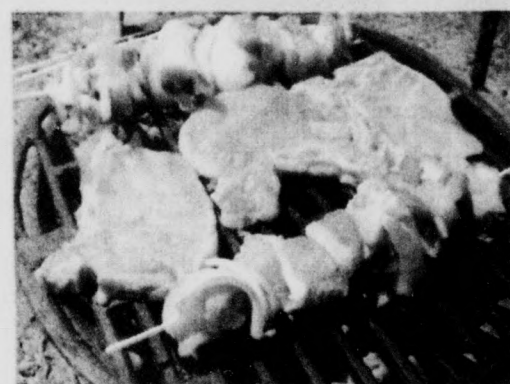


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- Replace incandescent bulbs with compact fluorescent lights; just make sure to dispose of light bulbs properly by contacting your local municipal waste facility.
- Barbecue outside when you can. Cooking inside at a stove produces more exhaust and uses more energy.
- Buy locally grown organic foods. By buying food produced within a hundred miles of where you live, you'll not only get fresher food, but you'll also reduce the amount of fuel needed to ship the product.
- Use "green" cleaning products such as Greenworks or SimpleGreen, which have no harmful chemicals and are bio-degradable.
- Buy clothing made from organic materials, such as organic cotton or recycled plastic.
- Use recycled paper products whenever possible.
- Go vegetarian. Raising livestock is an inefficient use of arable land.
- Support "green" companies by buying their products. Not only will you own environmentally friendly items, but the larger these companies become, the more their cause will be promoted.
- Donate old clothes or reusable items instead of throwing them away. Places like Goodwill and the Salvation Army also offer tax incentives for donations.
- Reuse plastic bags as much as possible, and consider investing in reusable cloth grocery bags.
- Use vegetable-based clothing detergent.
- Replace your air fresheners with plants. Plants clean the air naturally.
- Look for remanufactured printer ink cartridges.
- Always recycle batteries instead of throwing them away. They can leak harmful chemicals that can cause great damage. Find a company near you that recycles them or try to use rechargeable batteries as often as possible.

Don't:

- Don't drink bottled water. According to ABC news, it takes two ounces of oil to transport one bottle of French spring water to Chicago, and that doesn't include the oil used to make the plastic bottle. Many restaurants have stopped serving bottled water because of the environmental effects. Instead, use a water filter and a reusable bottle.
- Avoid using fast food. The excessive wrappings, bags and non-local foods they use are unnecessary and wasteful.
- Don't buy products in aerosol cans.

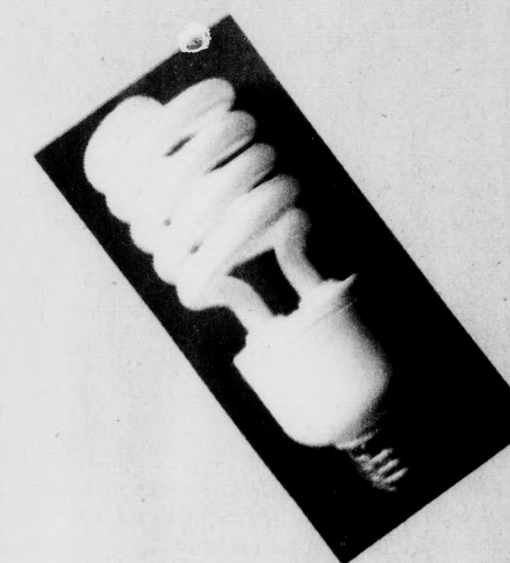
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- When you have a house of your own, put in sustainable hardwood flooring. Options include bamboo for indoor flooring and ipe for outdoor flooring that is both water and termite proof. Check out www.EcoTimber.com
- Install dual-flush toilets that will let you choose between a small .8 gallon flush, or a larger 1.6 gallon flush so you use less water when possible.
- Purchase LCD flat screens for both your computer and televisions. These can use less than half the amount of energy of conventional tube-based televisions and plasma screens.

For more information about going green around the house, check out hgvtv.com.



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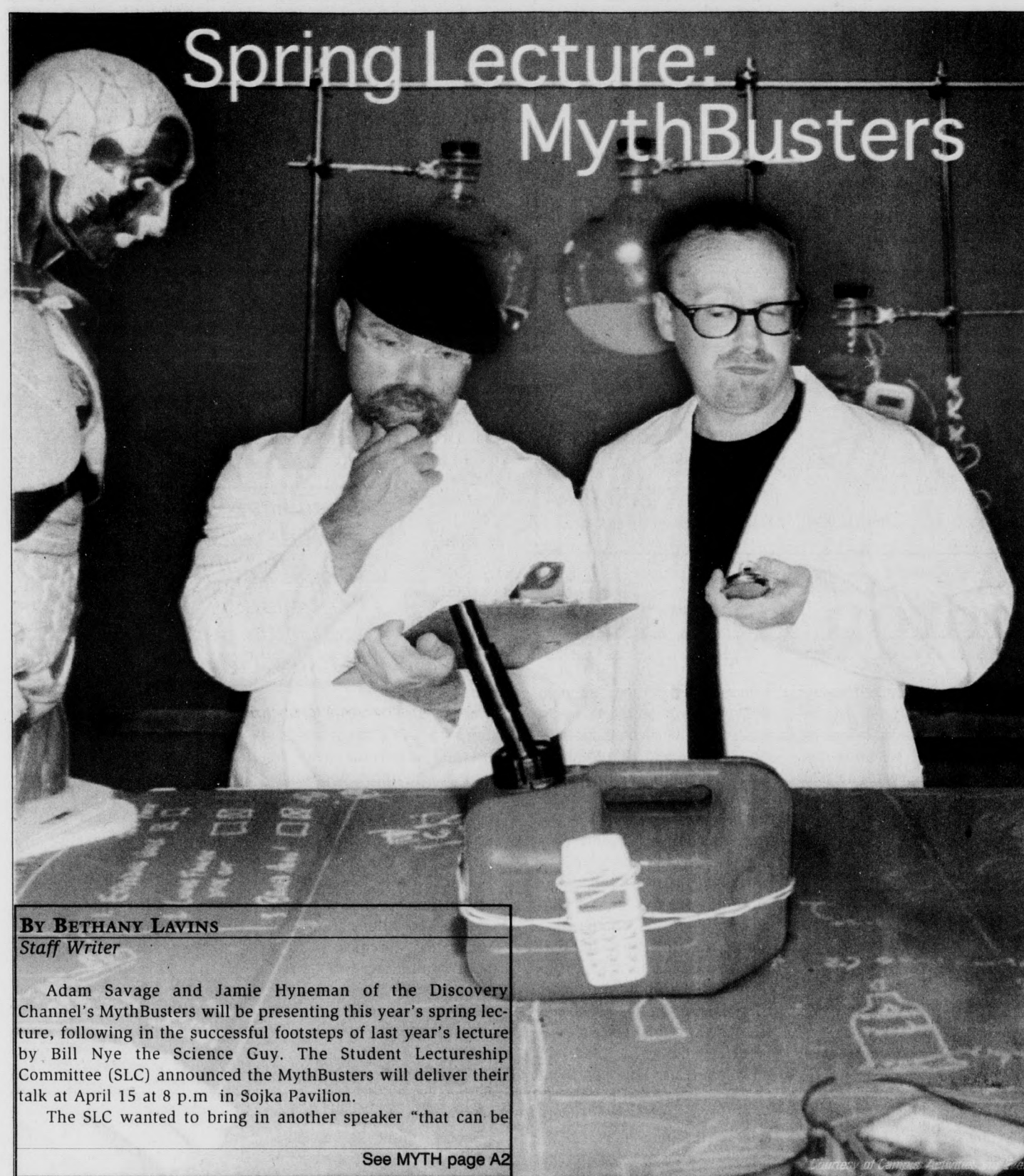
Chinese Lunar New Year

A celebration in Larison Dining Hall offered Chinese food, games, lantern-making and an umbrella dance performance.

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By BETHANY LAVINS
Staff Writer

Adam Savage and Jamie Hyneman of the Discovery Channel's MythBusters will be presenting this year's spring lecture, following in the successful footsteps of last year's lecture by Bill Nye the Science Guy. The Student Lectureship Committee (SLC) announced the MythBusters will deliver their talk at April 15 at 8 p.m. in Sojka Pavilion.

The SLC wanted to bring in another speaker "that can be

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Nega returns as visiting scholar

By CARLY WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

Berhanu Nega, former University economics professor and current Visiting International Scholar, will discuss "American Power and the Struggle against Poverty and Terror in Africa" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday night in Trout Auditorium.

After a year and a half in jail in his home country of Ethiopia, Nega was released in July. He was held as a leader within the democratic opposition. Since his return to the United States in early September he's been touring and speaking with American policy makers. His talk will be similar, focusing on African democratization, U.S. foreign policy and his experiences in Ethiopia.

"If the U.S. cannot help with democratization, they should at least not be friendly with the dictators that have stolen elections and disenfranchised the people of Africa," said Nega. Nega spent his elementary and high school years in Ethiopia. He fled the dictatorship in 1978 and lived as a refugee in Sudan from 1978 to 1980, the year he came to the U.S. He graduated from SUNY New Paltz in three years in 1983, and then spent the next seven years at the New School for Social Research. In 1990 Nega came to the University and taught until 1994, when he went back to his home country.

"At that point, I thought my skills would be put to better use in Ethiopia," he said.

Nega worked at the department of economics at Addis Ababa University, where he

began the first independent economic policy research institute in the country. He was director of the Ethiopian Economic Policy Research Organization from 2001 to 2005. The group studied economic development in the country. He also started the Ethiopian Maize Agro-Industrial Share Company, which is dedicated to producing affordable food for the nation's people.

Nega was first arrested in 2001 for speaking about academic freedom. He spent a month in jail. As he continued his work in public service after being released, he gained political prominence, first serving as a member of the Executive Council of the Coalition for Unity and Democracy and later, in 2005, being elected mayor of Addis Ababa. Following that election he was arrested, along with other leaders of the opposition. Nega was charged with treason, inciting violence and making an attempt to overthrow the government.

Nega will be on campus until August when his fellowship runs out, but he might stay longer. An English translation of his book "When Freedom Dawns" should be published within the next year. Students are looking forward to Nega's lecture.

"I think it's great that his problems in Ethiopia have been resolved, and he gets to share his experiences with campus and the general public. He can offer a first-person account of what's happening there, and that's really valuable," Kristen Shelly '08 said.

His Tuesday night talk is free and open to the public.

Meningitis case discovered

Student being treated in isolation in local hospital

By MICHELLE LAXER
News Editor

Students, faculty and staff are encouraged to take Tuesday's announcement of a student diagnosed with suspected meningococcal disease as a reminder to take proper precautions and simple steps to ensure good health.

"The best thing you can do is don't share your toothbrush, don't drink out of other people's glasses; when you cough, don't cough in someone's face, use a Kleenex [and] wash your hands repeatedly," said Don Stechschulte, M.D., Director of Student Health Services. "Those are the things that your grandmother told you about and those are the things that work."

The University does not require students to be vaccinated against meningitis. In accordance with Pennsylvania law, the University does inform stu-

dents about meningitis and the vaccinations available.

According to Stechschulte, the vast majority of students are vaccinated. However, it is not 100 percent effective because, according to the American College Health Association (ACHA), only four of the five bacterial strains are preventable by vaccination.

The fraternity brothers of William "Matt" Chodkowski '09 are doing their part to stay safe.

"We've been preaching about not sharing drinks and food and not leaving glasses and silverware out," said Doug Bobrow '09, Phi Kappa Psi fraternity president.

"Not sharing drinks is definitely the most important thing for us to ensure that nobody else gets sick."

After Chodkowski, a resident of the Fraternity, was diagnosed, other residents were strongly encour-

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Leaders emerge on campus

Alumni participate in Student Leadership Institute

By ABHAY AGARWAL
Staff Writer

Students that attended the Student Leadership Institute on Saturday had the opportunity to learn about promoting leader-

ship on campus and the accompanying responsibilities from University alumni now at the top of their careers. Students were exposed to various aspects of management and learned the traits of a good leader.

"I felt honored to be with such distinguished and highly successful alumni," Jason Wong '10 said.

The process of finding alumni to participate began several months ago and was spearheaded by the Student Leadership Planning Committee. The committee articulated careers of interest of most students, and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations searched for the alumni who are leaders in these careers. Alumni were contacted by students and staff.

Several prominent alumni were present, including David J. West '85, president and CEO of The Hershey Company. This is the

fourth year of the Institute, which is open for registration by all University students and was sponsored by the Office of Deans of Students, Career Development Center and the Office of Development and Alumni Relations.

The afternoon was broken down into hour-long sessions conducted by alumni. Each session focused on different realms of leadership, such as creativity, motivation, self-assessment and networking.

The evening concluded with a keynote address by West, who characterized the changing world as increasingly multicultural and multinational perspectives and talked about current students in the context of a "millennial generation."

West discussed the intricacies of the decision-making process as a leader in an organization, which depends largely on accepting change and learning to make the right decisions.

"What worked in the past will not work in the future. You are never going to have all the right answers," West said. West also mentioned how the production and consumption culture has changed, which

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What you should know about Meningitis:

Symptoms:

Fever, headache and stiff neck, nausea, vomiting, sensitivity to light, altered mental status and seizures. A rash may appear after the disease develops further.

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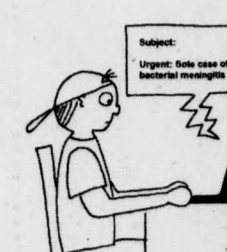
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Seek medical help:

Anyone who experiences two or more sudden and/or severe symptoms of meningitis is urged to see medical care immediately. Early detection is crucial to prevent any serious side effects.

Source: National Meningitis Association

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The Bucknellian EDITORIAL

"It could never happen to me."

These words may not always be verbally expressed, but the thought still exists in many of our minds. We are a privileged group of people, with so many things going our way. There is no reason to think that anything could slow us down. Is there?

There are innumerable campus e-mails sent each day, many of which end up in the trash. That is probably why the University took the time to send two e-mails on Tuesday detailing a student's contraction of meningitis. Unfortunately, it showed everyone that meningitis, a very serious and potentially fatal disease, can happen to anyone, including a Bucknellian.

First and foremost, our thoughts go out to Matt as he undergoes treatment, as well as our gratitude to him and his family. By releasing Matt's name to the campus, they voluntarily waived his privacy in order to protect

the health of the community.

With e-mails to the campus and parents, as well as encouraging all people who

may have been exposed to meningitis to take a preventative medication, the University took immediate steps to provide necessary

information to the campus while not causing a panic.

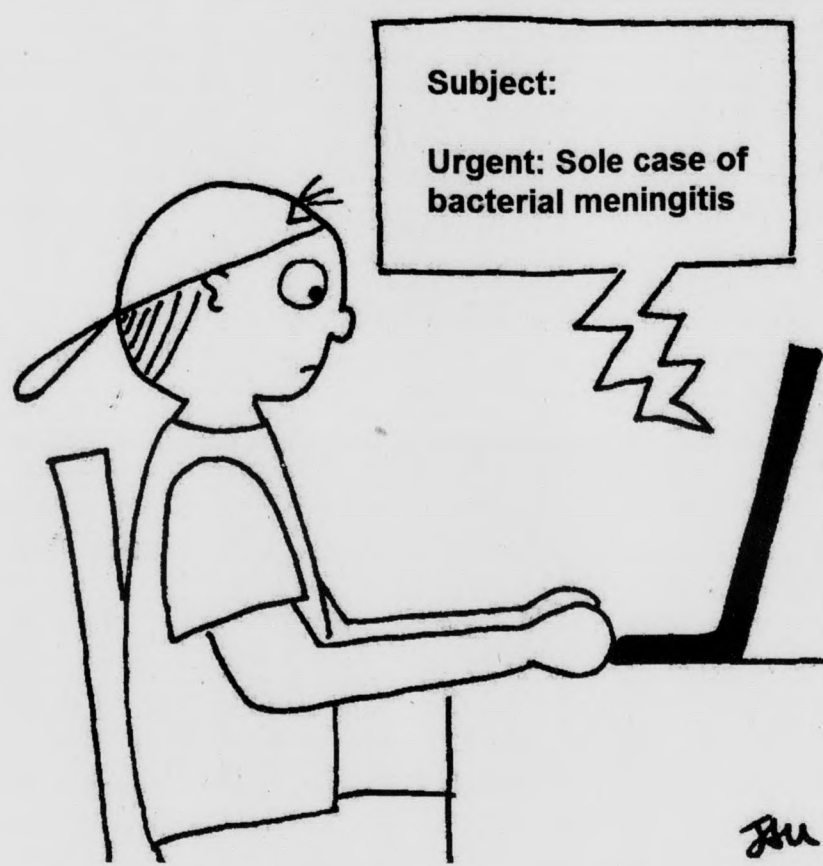
Despite this, questions (understandably) have continued to mount. How did

someone contract meningitis? Is anyone else showing symptoms? Is the vaccine effective, and what vaccines are a person required to have in order to attend the University?

Now it's our turn. The University has already provided us with the necessary information, but we cannot expect it to spoon-feed us everything. We have the resources at our fingertips that we need in order to find the answers to all the burning questions.

Although there is a lot of health information available to students on campus, this unfortunate situation shows us that we should actually pay attention to the fliers on the bathroom stalls or the pamphlets in the Health Center. In addition, we should actively explore the ways in which other diseases are spread. Search the cdc.gov website, look at diseases, prevention, symptoms.

Because it can happen—and unfortunately has happened—to us.



Letter to



Alumni Association welcomes Class of 2011

To the Editor:

Dear Class of 2011 – The Alumni Board would like to thank you for sharing First Night with us and to welcome you to Bucknell's global alumni community. We look forward to the opportunity of providing mentorship, networking and career support to the Classes of 2008-2011. The good news is that after graduation you can choose to be a Bucknellian for life and continue to volunteer and to support the

promise of future generations of students like yourselves. It has certainly been a life-affirming and rewarding choice for me.

'Ray Bucknell,
 Richard Humphrey, '74
 President
 Bucknell Alumni Association

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Insult-driven campaigns make informed voting a challenge

By STEPHANIE VOGEL
 Contributing Writer

In today's technology- and media-obsessed society, it is impossible to turn on the television, open a newspaper, or even go on Facebook without seeing some sort of advertisement adamantly declaring why we should purchase a given product or perform a certain action.

Americans are used to all forms of advertising and have come to accept them as annoying but ever-present aspects of our lives.

In recent months, however, the type of ads we have been subjected to have varied slightly in nature due to the upcoming presidential election in November or perhaps, more importantly, the primary elections currently taking place across the nation.

Whether you support Barack Obama, John McCain, Hillary Clinton or one of the other many candidates jockeying for position as the choice of his or her party for the presidency, there is no doubt you have seen their campaign ads or heard their campaign speeches.

In the weeks leading up to primaries, ads, articles and interview transcripts are absolutely everywhere, proudly proclaiming candidates' views on healthcare, the war in Iraq and plans for bolstering our faltering economy. It seems that this campaign, most notably on the Democratic side, has seen a great increase in the number of negative ads and accusations in the media, forcing the many controversial issues at stake to be pushed to the back burner.

In the most recent bout of mudslinging on America's political battle field, Clinton has accused Obama, her chief rival for the Democratic presidential nomination, of borrowing ideas and words from Massachusetts governor and Obama supporter Deval Patrick.

Obama has responded to these claims by stating that he and Patrick exchange ideas regularly, and that Patrick has been known to borrow an idea or line from Obama from time to time.

Obama went on to claim Clinton has used his words and ideas on several occasions, and asserted he does not see this idea exchange as a significant issue within his campaign.

This diatribe has been reasonably tame compared to interactions between Clinton and Obama in the past; on multiple occasions, Clinton has questioned Obama's ability to accomplish all he has promised in his campaign speeches thus far. She claimed, "Speeches don't put food on the table. Speeches don't fill up your tank or fill your prescription or do anything about that stack of bills that keeps you up at night."

Obama has retaliated by challenging

Clinton's relationships with lobbyists, claiming she is too involved with the concept of Washington as a business to enact any significant reforms should she be elected.

With the race between these opponents heating up as they travel across the country in preparation for primaries in early March, the accusations are getting nastier and the insults more personal, and I'm absolutely sick of it. It has gotten to the point where it is difficult to discern where either candidate stands on a given issue, as there are so few ads or speeches addressing their viewpoints and plans for America.

The bulk of ads I have seen recently contain an array of unattractive photos of a candidate set against dramatic music as an announcer describes in an accusing tone what sorts of things this candidate has voted against, the lies he has told, or the corruption in which he engaged earlier in his political career.

This campaign no longer seems to be about who has a better plan for saving the economy or who has a healthcare plan that will help more Americans; rather, it seems that time and resources that should be allocated towards working on these things are dedicated to unearthing embarrassing and incriminating information about other candidates.

Come Pennsylvania's primary in April, I want to be able to make an informed decision about for whom to vote, and at this point I do not feel these candidates have provided me with enough information about their personal philosophies and ideas to do so. I don't particularly want to hear about who Clinton is accepting money from, or who Obama has been quoting in his campaign speeches, as these things do not tell me anything about how either candidate plans to help America.

Tell me about plans for dealing with the war in Iraq or thoughts on global warming; anything other than this constant barrage of irrelevant insults polluting my computer and television screens every day.

While I recognize that negativity in political campaigns is not a new part of the political process, it would be refreshing to find a candidate every now and then who seemed more concerned with touting his personal experiences and plans for change rather than why his opponent should not be elected.

Unfortunately, it seems such a candidate is not to be found in this round of elections. Voters will have to learn about the candidates' views for themselves, unless they choose to vote based on who had the most insulting ads or best methods of attacking his or her competitors; should this be the case, America will most likely find itself in a very troubling position indeed in 2009.

Foreign policy, anyone?

By CATE RUSSEL
 Contributing Writer

Presidential candidate John McCain has garnered substantial support for his ability to cross party lines on various issues. That's all well and good. What concerns me is that his call for an extremely interventionist American foreign policy has not become an issue of central importance to this election. That independent, the majority of whom claim to be against the war in Iraq, are willing to overlook this is quite remarkable.

Call me crazy, but I don't think foreign policy is an issue of marginal importance. In a world where the United States has military installations in nations across the globe, U.S. presidential elections have widespread implications for the rest of the world. Let's review for a moment: Senator McCain is a man who, when giving his opinion on U.S. policy in Iran, sang "bomb bomb bomb, bomb bomb Iran" to a tune by the Beach Boys. This kind of behavior is astonishingly callous and irresponsible. The bombing of a country is certainly not an appropriate topic for anyone, let alone a presidential candidate (!) to be joking about.

This kind of callousness is not unusual for Senator McCain. On U.S. strategy in Iraq, he said, "What I believe we can achieve is a reduction in [American] casualties to the point where Iraqis are doing the fighting and dying."

Apparently, the only loss of life with which Senator McCain is concerned is that of Americans. Iraqi civilians don't even warrant a mention.

He's convinced that as long as American troops are safe, the American people will not worry themselves with U.S. military presence on foreign soil. Maybe he's right. And maybe he's not. Either way, U.S. policymakers do not have the right to unilaterally intervene in any country as they see fit. This kind of reasoning belies an underlying assumption that what concerns Americans is all that matters as far as foreign policy is concerned. Forget multilateralism. That's for sissy nations.

Again, call me crazy, but one would think the opinions of the Iraqi population would be an important factor in determining our troop presence there, seeing as the war's being fought in their country, not ours. And by their country, as you may have guessed, I mean that it does not belong to us.

In case you were wondering, according to world opinion polls from 2006, 71 percent of Iraqis wanted U.S.-led troops to withdraw within a year. In response to being asked whether the U.S. military presence was a "stabilizing force," 78 percent believed that the U.S. military was "provoking more conflict than it is preventing." And according to a 2007 BBC poll of over 2,000 Iraqi citizens, about 70 percent of Iraqis believe "security has deteriorated in the area covered by the U.S. military 'surge.'"

If U.S. policymakers were sincerely committed to promoting democracy in Iraq, the opinions of the Iraqi people would be respected.

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Opinions

Hands off my Vagina... Monologues

By LENORE FLOWER
 Opinions Editor

"My vagina is angry!", announces the gorgeous faux-hawked woman on stage. We know she's serious. "It is! It's pissed off about all this sh*t, and it needs to talk. It needs to talk to you." "The Angry Vagina" monologue serves as much needed comic relief after "The Crooked Braid" which describes the near-fatal domestic abuse of a Lakota tribe woman. The performer in "The Angry Vagina" is annoyed with thong underwear, trips to the ob-gyn and tampons, but could easily have been referring to sexual assault, misogyny or the hells of childbirth. In those first few lines I quoted, she could even be talking about the censorship of the V-Day art show or the annual attacks against "The Vagina Monologues."

I'm proud to be a member of the campus community, but however bad the language may be on a piece of artwork, censoring it in an art show reflects more poorly on the University than any word itself ever could. "The Vagina Monologues" contains some material that is not appropriate for children, but the University is not an elementary school. We are at an age in which we should be allowed to see and explore these things for ourselves. Anything short of this begins to stifle our education. I recognize that the general council has a right to censor materials as they see fit, but in this case, I respectfully suggest that this right has been misused. My concern is not for those three censored pieces in the art show; however, after eight years of performance, I worry that the University may censor "The Vagina Monologues" once and for all.

This is worrisome for me, not simply because I enjoy the performance, but also because I deeply appreciate the message behind it. Yes, the "Vagina Monologues" is sometimes about sex. Far more often however, the "Vagina Monologues" is about coming of age, body image, issues of race, domestic assault, childbirth and rape. It's about coming to terms with who we are, and accepting our whole selves, even the parts that are embarrassing, confusing and sexual. Most importantly, "The Vagina Monologues" is about allowing all of us to

recognize these issues and begin to come to terms with them as a society.

The monologues cover topics such as human sexuality and menstruation in a frank way that makes some people uncomfortable, but never without humor or good taste. Some people would undoubtedly prefer to see the performance without the political elements, and others without any of the sexuality. To do so would be to deny our culture's incredibly complicated relationship with the vagina, the female body and with women as a whole. Worse, it would deny women's complicated relationships with themselves.

The vagina needs to be talked about because it essentially makes women, women. Each monologue explores what having one actually means. Moaning happens in regards to the vagina. So does sexual assault. And, while people have played the "penis" game (starting at a whisper and working to a shout) from the age of 10 on, the many life-changing events and experiences related to "coochie snorchers," "sugar dishes" and "vajajays" go largely un-talked about.

And we can't let these issues go un-talked about: there is no other performance that can help men and women alike understand the hell of being gang-raped in Bosnia or brain damaged by an abusive husband the way "The Vagina Monologues" does every year. Far from pushing men away, "The Vagina Monologues" can help men understand the complex nature of womanhood because of the same frankness that makes it so controversial. The recent addition of the "V Men" to the "Vagina Monologues," who support efforts to end violence against women, are just one obvious example of this.

"The Vagina Monologues" are risqué, unnerving, hilarious, heartbreaking and moving. Even more so, the performance is empowering to women and men alike. While easy to attack, "The Vagina Monologues" bring more to this campus in terms of intellectual diversity, sexual assault awareness and community service than most other organizations can possibly claim to. Censoring the organization in any way can only harm the campus community, not protect or improve it.

Madame Ovary's monologues go too far

By BRETT IRWIN
 Writer

Worried about meningitis? Our real concern should be apathitis, a disease infecting college campuses across the country. Few students have the courage to form convictions, let alone stand on them. The women of V-Day Bucknell are thus exceptional, for they are anything but apathetic.

They have worked tirelessly for a cause greater than themselves. And it is a worthy cause. Violence against women is a problem that is often tragically understated.

Every year 1.2 million women are raped. Twenty percent of teenage girls and young women have experienced some form of dating violence. Thirty-one percent of all women report being physically or sexually abused at some point in their lives. Domestic violence claims the life of four women every day.

While most students fritter away their free time, the members of V-Day Bucknell have devoted large portions of their collegiate lives to reducing these staggering figures. They have committed countless hours to their cause and, in a single weekend, raised nearly \$7,000 for the Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition counseling and abuse-prevention agency.

It is thus lamentable that the centerpiece of this noble fight is Eve Ensler's well-intentioned, but very ignoble play, "The Vagina Monologues."

The Monologues have become a cause célèbre, boasting the support of luminaries like Jane Fonda and Glenn Close. For most of Middle America, the

backing of Hollywood usually carries the weight of a resounding anti-endorsement.

Indeed, as a Middle American, I have two objections to the play: it employs unnecessarily lewd language and, in its puerility, portrays women as powerless.

The play is littered with repulsive references to sexual acts, the human anatomy and dissolute behavior in general. Language that would make our forebears blanch now passes as playful, even enlightened.

The popularity of such a play on college campuses is indicative of a broader problem facing our desensitized generation: moral relativism. Students fail to sense that a line has been crossed in Ensler's play. In days past, a university's raison d'être was the development of individuals who could recognize right from wrong. Today we cannot even distinguish gross mots from bon mots. O tempora, o mores!

The play portrays women as slaves to, rather than masters of, their sexuality. It trivializes women by reducing them to the sum of their body parts.

By doing so, as University of Minnesota senior Kim Ukura has noted, the play ironically threatens the idea for which early feminists fought: women are worth more than the bodies they inhabit. Young women standing on a stage screaming in vulgar terms about their vaginas is not the kind of liberation Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton had in mind.

Call me old-fashioned, but I believe women ought to be treated with dignity and respect. While it aspires to give

them such treatment, the Monologues actually show about as much respect to women as John McEnroe shows to a tennis umpire. The violent rants of McEnroe on the court are indeed tantamount to Ensler's rants on the stage.

Given the militant rage Ensler's play frequently exhibits, some disciples of the hard right would have you believe that the women of V-Day Bucknell are themselves raging, man-hating militants. This would be a deplorably fallacious argument (N.B. James Robinson, et al.). On the contrary, they are level-headed, dedicated and inspiring women. Several of them are dear friends and I will zealously defend them from ad hominem attacks. Opponents should focus their ire on the play, not the performers.

On the other hand, may be considered fair game. Readers who interpret this as a sexist censure should feel free to throw a little invective my way. What I believe to be principled may seem puritanical to others. Who knows, maybe history will side with Ensler. After all, Flaubert's novel (the title of which I sacrilegiously transfigured) was initially condemned as immoral, but is now considered a classic.

This piece will appear next to a pro-Monologues article, submitted by a less verbose and more persuasive writer. So, as the reader weighs my muddled argument against what I am sure will be a much more concise, convincing argument, he or she should take into account the cautionary words of Thomas Huxley: "There is no greater mistake than the hasty conclusion that opinions are worthless because they are badly argued."

Currently Untitled

By Juliana Su



Title IX paves the way for women's athletics

By CAITLIN DOOLIN
 Contributing Writer

National Girls and Women in Sports Day (NGWSD) was celebrated on campus Wednesday in support of women's athletics, how it has grown and the success of Title IX in collegiate athletics.

As an athlete on campus, I attended the luncheon and women's basketball game that were held as special events for the day. In past years, I have typically accepted this day as a nice tradition the University hosts to recognize and support women's athletics on campus.

This year I was particularly intrigued by the fact "Title IX" was brought up several times throughout the luncheon. I'm not sure what it was that made me think about the law for the rest of the day, but I came across some pretty important realizations of what Title IX means and what it has taken for women's athletics to get where it is today.

Many of the women fell ill as they shivered and their sweat turned to ice on their foreheads. A few even caught pneumonia and were hospitalized.

The women also faced ridicule and name-calling from men as they lifted and

trained in their own athletic facilities. Some of the men would even spit on them as they were training.

This was after Title IX became, as I said, implemented.

National Girls and Women in Sports Day is an important day that recognizes how far women's athletics have come in just a few decades.

To protest, Christy Ernst, a world champion silver medalist on the team, led 17 team members into the director of women's athletics office with "Title IX" painted across their bare backs and chests. They demanded the equal oppor-

tunities they deserved and proper facilities at their boathouse.

These were the bodies that had been exposed to cold weather, illness and poor treatment, and enough was enough. A few days later, a trailer with facilities was installed at the Derby boathouse for the women's team. By the following year, full facilities were constructed.

Title IX has a reputation as a financial opportunity for women and a cut in budget that many men's athletic teams have to face, but it is important to understand the roots of Title IX and its original intentions.

It was not many years ago that women on college campuses were not only training but fighting to be allowed to train for the sport they loved. I invite any of you currently playing a sport at Bucknell to think about what it is like to go to practice, train and compete.

Now imagine being taunted, spat on and excluded at practices and competi-

tions. Would you still fight to do it? These women fought for Title IX so our campus could have the atmosphere where every athlete, male or female, could train with the respect they deserve.

NGWSD is an important day that recognizes how far women's athletics have come in just a few decades. My collegiate experience would be nowhere near what it is without the demanding, exhausting work and self-gratification of athletics.

Athletics has not only given me an opportunity to practice the sport I love day-in and day-out, but it has tapped into the drive, maturity and work ethic I am capable of.

I would like to take the time to recognize and thank all the women who fought and struggled in athletics in the generation before me. You inspire me to dedicate the drive to my sport it deserves. Because you fought for an equal opportunity atmosphere, I can be faster, be stronger and be a Bucknell varsity athlete.

Richard Wright: America's native son

Editors Note: This article is fourth in a series of five articles we are running in honor of Black History Month. Each week in February, a University professor will feature a prominent black scholar who contributed to his or her field

By PROF. JAMES BRAXTON PETERSON
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Richard Wright (4 September 1908-28 November 1960) was a pioneering African-American writer. He was born near Natchez, Miss., to a family whose economic status was typical of the oppressive conditions plaguing the Southern United States at the dawn of the 20th century; his family was poor. His grandparents (maternal and paternal) were slaves while many of his relatives in the subsequent generations were "sharecroppers." His family slipped deeper into the spiral of poverty after his father, Nathan Wright, left and his mother, Ella Wright, became a domestic cook. After the court system failed Ella in her attempts to hold Nathan legally and economically responsible for his children, Richard was briefly placed in a Memphis orphanage. This situation ingrained Wright's subconscious with the excruciating experience of hunger, an experience that would shape him profoundly as a writer and political thinker.

In 1925 at age 17, Wright left home for Memphis, Tenn. He was forced constantly to risk his life in an era in which the slightest modicum of disrespect directed towards Southern whites could end in murder. His other option was to hustle and/or steal enough money to leave home for good. He chose the latter. After two years in Memphis, he was anxious to migrate north, where he felt he had the potential to be taken seriously as a writer. Ultimately this proved to be correct. After migrating to Chicago with the hopes of broadening his horizons, Wright was confronted by a city more segregated than the South in which he grew up. In "12 Million Black Voices," Wright described the violence awaiting black families seeking to move into all-white neighborhoods, as well as the slum lords who overcharged black families forced to live in horrid segregated tenements. Sometimes whole families would live in one room. The Chicago plagued by segregation, unsavory living conditions, poverty, crime (some organized) and corrupt politicians was later the subject matter of Richard Wright's posthumously published novel, "Lawd Today!"

Between 1938 and 1940, Richard Wright emerged as the premier African-American writer of his period. Various incidents, experiences, and publications propelled his emergence. The Great Depression was worse in Chicago than in most cities, and the black Southside was hit hardest.

Wright felt this directly in the loss of his job as a postal worker. Despite financial hardships Wright's desire to write persisted. He garnered one of his first opportunities to do so after an associate directed him to the Chicago John Reed Club. This connection allowed Wright to make various ideological connections to working class and poor folk the world over. Through his own racially and economically oppressive experiences Wright developed genuinely fervent affinities for the Communist Party.

In 1938 Wright published "Uncle Tom's Children," a powerful collection of short stories determined to distance his generation (particularly in its responses to racial and economic oppression) from his grandmother's. Its title is in direct conversation with Harriet Beecher Stowe's famed "Uncle Tom's Cabin," but Wright replaced themes of sentimentality, Christian charity and patient endurance with revolutionary organization, race violence and proud defiance. One needs only to read "Big Boy Leaves Home" from "Uncle Tom's Children" in order to appreciate his ability to render poignantly the darker moments in the history of American racism.

This work positioned Wright as a courageous voice for the black experience. However, Wright's crowning achievement as a popular writer was the publication of the best-selling "Native Son" in 1940. And although in his essay "How Bigger Was

Born," Wright desires white fear and despair as a response to this novel, white readers, at least initially, bought this book in droves. ("Native Son" also experienced an extraordinary drop off in sales between 1940 and 1941, so perhaps Wright's desired effects were achieved after all.)

The relationship between Richard Wright and his protagonist Bigger Thomas figured prominently in all of the critical responses to the novel. Both were born in Mississippi, migrated to Chicago, and lived with their mothers in Black Belt slums; both were motivated by fear and hatred, rebellious and prone to violence. It is no surprise then that his next major work was the publication of his autobiography, "Black Boy," in 1945. This version with the entire second portion excised by editors may still be Wright's most potent prose.

Wright eventually left the United States, disillusioned with the ideological and political atmosphere within which his writing was received and critiqued. While in Paris he continued to travel, write and publish until his untimely, and by some accounts mysterious, death in Paris in 1960. This year we celebrate the centennial anniversary of Richard Wright's birth. In addition to the recent release of the posthumously published novel, entitled "A Father's Law," museums, universities and publishing houses all over the world will throughout the year pay tribute to one of America's greatest writers.



Above: Princess Giselle (Amy Adams) talks with her rescuer, attorney Robert Phillip (played by Patrick Dempsey). Below: Enchanted also stars James Marsden as Prince Edward and Susan Sarandon as Giselle's evil stepmother.



New York City fairy tale

'Enchanted' is full of that classic Disney optimism

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

Think your Disney days are over? Think again. "Enchanted" is one Disney movie that cannot be missed. In this charming tale, actuality and fantasy collide. Opening with a characteristically happy musical number and cartoon version of the princess Giselle, the movie soon transforms the audience's outlook on real life, dreams and the combination of the these two apparent opposites.

Pleasantly content and naïve Giselle (Amy Adams) begins her story in an isolated and perfect fairytale land. All she wishes for is her true love who will come fulfill her life, allowing her to live happily ever after. With her company of singing forest animals, she dances and creates fabulous musical acts on the spot. Much to her delight, Prince Edward (James Marsden) soon arrives, dashing as ever. The two fall in love instantly and eagerly prepare to wed. Unfortunately for Giselle, there is trouble afoot. An evil stepmother prepares to usurp power from the kingdom, creating a magical well that will transport Giselle to an unknown and dangerous world — our world.

Giselle falls into the vortex, leaving her perfect world behind, and emerges in the crowded and dirty streets of New York City in an enormously heavy, poufy, white wedding gown.

Once in the city, she wanders around desperate and alone, until she stumbles across the handsome, engaged and highly analytical attorney Robert Phillip (Patrick Dempsey). Though unwilling, Robert consents to help Giselle, whom he thinks is mentally unstable. Allowing her to stay in his apartment while she sorts out her affairs, Robert soon encounters a host of obstacles that will not only challenge the way he functions but also transform his views on pure fantasy and reality. Giselle, too, must learn to reconcile the two worlds as she learns to cope with anger, unhappiness and the general gloom that plagues the real world.

Some of the greatest aspects of the film include the animation. Disney has greatly improved the quality, color and dimension of its cartoons. It has also struck an amazing

balance between animation and live action with its portrayal of Pip the chipmunk in the live action scenes and evil queen in both worlds. The special effects for the animal scenes are noteworthy.

Accompanying great animation is ornate costuming. From Giselle's heavy wedding gown to Prince Edward's outrageous tunic, the costumes are highly detailed and of superb quality. This, however, is not all the movie has to offer; it also features a series of enchanting and highly entertaining musical numbers to captivate the audience.

Amy Adams is perfect in her role as the kind and cheerful Giselle. She has fully

The movie soon transforms the audience's outlook on real life, dreams, and the combination of these two apparent opposites.

engrossed herself in the role. In addition, she has a lovely voice that is adequately showcased in the film. James Marsden renders an excellent portrayal of the self-absorbed and dimwitted Prince Edward, allowing the audience to love him in spite of his many flaws. Meanwhile, Patrick Dempsey also provides an adequate performance. Also featured in this movie are Julie Andrews, Idina Menzel, Susan Sarandon and Timothy Spall.

In this delightful story, perfect for children and adults of all ages, the fairy tale is merged with real life. In addition, the film alludes to numerous scenes from other Disney films, including "The Little Mermaid," "Mary Poppins," "Sleeping Beauty" and "Snow White." The film parodies Disney favorites and recognizes formulas that keep the audience happy, but embraces this very nature in an over-the-top film that is still highly enjoyable.

Mingling fiction with fact, "Enchanted" exudes that classic Disney optimism that makes everyone believe dreams can come true.

Paperback Private Eye

Senior writer Julia Fuchs searches for quality fiction to review.

Water for Elephants

Bestselling book showcases traveling circus life in Depression-era America

"Sometimes when you get older ... things you think on and wish on start to seem real. And then you believe them, and before you know it they're a part of your history."

With this statement, author Sara Gruen brilliantly captures the effect her bestselling historical fiction novel "Water for Elephants" has on its readers.

Jacob Jankowski lives in a retirement facility, has a nurse who brings him food to him daily and spends most of his time trying to convince people he has no need to be there. The other residents, constantly trying to trump others with stories of their lives, irritate Jankowski, and when one tells the blatant lie that he used to carry water for elephants, Jankowski snaps because his hidden past actually included working with elephants.

At the age of 21, Jankowski had his life planned out for him: After taking his final set of veterinary medicine exams at Cornell, he would return home and join his father in his practice. When Jankowski's parents are killed one week before the exams and have left him penniless, he drops everything and, in a life-altering decision, jumps on a passing night train belonging to the Benzini Brothers Most Spectacular Show on Earth. From the moment he is discovered onboard, Jankowski's tumultuous life as the circus' new veterinarian begins.

Jankowski's experiences onboard with the deeply struggling circus, where everyone has been tossed together by various circumstances

Gruen creates a wonderfully entangling book that throws the reader into the precarious world of circus life from the first page and doesn't let go until long after the last page has been turned.

and is doing everything they can to survive, lead him to quickly learn the rules of how to secure the best meals, please those who give out the money and avoid those who threaten his role.

The characters that made up a circus in Depression-era America are described with vivid and accurate detail. First we meet Camel, a friendly drunk who secures Jankowski's admittance to the circus and who coaches Jankowski through his initial days. Jankowski's sleeping quarters are shared with the dwarf Kinko and Kinko's beloved dog, Queenie. Kinko, more than a little upset about having to share his living space, lets his displeasure known every opportunity he gets, but his ultimate friendship with Jankowski proves invaluable. Uncle Al leads the whole gang as owner of the circus. Violent and abusive to both man and animal, he has a reputation for secretly redlighting and tossing people he either can't or doesn't want to pay off of the moving train at night. August, however,

is the man Jankowski comes to fear the most. August, the head animal trainer, is known to switch unexpectedly between being just as abusive as Uncle Al to being overly sweet. He also happens to be married to the beautiful Marlena, whom Jankowski unintentionally falls in love with.

As Jankowski's love for Marlena grows and August and Uncle Al become more wary of him, Jankowski must use all his skills and effort to fool the two of them. In order to save his own life. To complicate matters, Rosie, the new elephant whose act was supposed to be the salvation of the circus, doesn't follow commands at all, and with her act essentially nonexistent, brings August and Uncle Al into violent rages let out on the poor elephant.

As circus veterinarian, Jankowski forms a strong bond of trust with Rosie, being the only one to discover that the presumed dumb elephant actually only understands Polish. As his love for Rosie deepens, his relationship with Marlena grows more intense and dangerous, and the circus' status worsens drastically, the trio's struggle for survival takes a whole new meaning.

Gruen uses her extensive research on traveling circuses to create a wonderfully entangling book that throws the reader into the precarious world of circus life from the first page and doesn't let go until long after the last page has been turned. Each character becomes hauntingly alive: Each one's burdens become the reader's burdens, each one's fears are felt by the reader, and each one's hopes are dreamt by the reader as well. The further one follows along with Jankowski's recounts, the more real each step and scenario seem, and the line between reality and fiction blurs until the book is put down.

For anyone who has ever dreamt of running away and joining the circus (and who hasn't?), "Water for Elephants" is an eye-opening account, obliterating all fantasy-like elements of our dreams and instead putting in their place a hauntingly clear picture of the behind-the-scenes turmoil, dangers and consequences of joining "the most spectacular show on Earth."

The Vagina Monologues

Students perform acts by Eve Ensler to support 2008 V-Day Campaign



The Vagina Monologues was performed Friday, February 15 and Saturday, February 16 in the Harvey Powers Theatre. All proceeds benefited Bucknell's V-Day-related causes: 90 percent went to Susquehanna Valley Women in Transition and 10 percent went to the national V-Day Campaign fund for women in the Gulf South affected by Hurricane Katrina. The show consisted of 16 acts. Issues addressed included childbirth, domestic violence, revealing clothing, sexual expression, and rape of female refugees.

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Left: front row from left Jessi Shui '09, Qian Huang '10, Yuri Nakamura '10, back row: Yinan Yu '11, Linda Kang '10, Kimberly Bassett '09, Kimin Fox '08, Nga Nguyen '08, Yulan Li '10. Above: Min Ya Juan, a Chinese language teaching assistant sings to entertain the crowd.

Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration

Students, faculty and area residents celebrated the beginning of the New Year of the Rat Saturday, Feb. 16. The Chinese Lunar New Year celebration was held in Larison Dining Hall from noon to 3:00 pm and featured a spectacular selection of Chinese food. Performances at the event included an umbrella dance performed by nine students and a song by a language teaching assistant. In addition, there were workshops on Chinese calligraphy, Chinese chess, Mahjong and how to make Chinese lanterns. The event was sponsored by Chinese Cultural Association Club.



Enche Tjin — The Bucknellian
Above: Professor Fan Xing guides kids on Chinese calligraphy. Right: Students, faculty members, staff and guests enjoy hot tea and Chinese food prepared, cooked and served by students.



Writers Up Close: A New Tradition

Student-run series brings four acclaimed poets to campus for Tuesday afternoon reading series

By ANNIE LEISTER
Arts & Entertainment Editor

The University has a long tradition of hosting visiting writers for poetry readings. The Stadler Center for Poetry has held poetry readings in Bucknell Hall and various locales for nearly 20 years.

This spring's "Writers Up Close" series, sponsored by the Stadler Center, is a little different from previous literary events at the University: It is mainly organized by students.

This poetry reading series is largely the project of a class offered for the first time this semester: "Literary Arts Administration and Editing."

Shara McCallum, assistant professor of English and director of the Stadler Center, teaches the course, which consists of 12 students from all class years and majors.

"My hope is that the class will give students insight into the running of a literary arts program, including exposure to small-press publishing, and hands-on experience in the same. In practice, students are being treated to numerous visits to the class this semester by writers who are themselves also literary arts administrators or editors," McCallum

said.

For this spring's "Writers Up Close" series, the class is bringing four acclaimed poets to campus.

The first guest, scheduled to read Feb. 26, is John Hoppenthaler, poetry editor of the literary journal "Kestrel." Hoppenthaler was formerly a personal assistant to Toni Morrison.

Ellen Doré Watson, the second visiting poet, will be reading on March 18. Watson is the director of the poetry center at Smith College and, in addition to publishing her own poetry, has translated more than a dozen books from Portuguese into English.

The third guest will be Judith Hall, on April 1. Hall is the poetry editor of "Antioch Review" and is the author of four collections of poetry.

Thom Ward, senior editor of the publishing company BOA Editions, Ltd., will end the series with his reading on April 8. All of the poetry readings will take place at 4 p.m. in the Willard Smith Library on the first floor of the Vaughan Literature Building.

"Writers Up Close" has given our class a great opportunity to work together and all contribute to an event which will bring literary awareness to the



From left: John Hoppenthaler, Ellen Doré Watson, Judith Hall and Thom Ward. The Writers Up Close poetry readings will take place on February 26, March 18, April 1 and April 8 in the Willard Smith Library in the Vaughan Literature building.

University community," said Sarah Novello '08, a student in McCallum's class.

In managing the series, the students were given a budget and made responsible for organizing catering, publicity and other aspects of the writers' visits. In addition, they will introduce the writers during the poetry readings and monitor question and answer sessions.

"[While organizing the readings,] students are able to experience all the challenges involved in planning literary events," Novello said.

In addition to the "Writers Up Close"

series, the class is working on a semester-long collective oral histories project. The students will interview residents of the Riverwoods senior living community in Lewisburg and then transcribe and edit a selection of their interviews, which the class hopes to submit for publication at the end of the semester.

"I have so far been extraordinarily impressed by the creativity, ambition and diligence of the 12 students who've gotten on board for this new venture. In future years, I hope to continue offering the class as a way to give increasing numbers of students the opportunity to

better understand and engage with the literary culture the Stadler Center helps to foster at the University," McCallum said.

I encourage our readers to get in touch with this literary culture by coming out to hear great poetry this semester at the "Writers Up Close" series readings on Tuesday afternoons, while also supporting fellow students. In addition—as the students of the Literary Arts Administration and Editing class can testify since they arrange the catering services—refreshments will definitely be provided.

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Wrestling finishes home season on high note

Bison post victories over EIWA foes, East Stroudsburg and American; set to face No. 15 Cornell Saturday

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

The wrestling team concluded its home schedule last weekend with two in-conference victories, beating American on Sunday and East Stroudsburg on Friday. The wins snapped a three-match losing streak for the Bison, bringing them to 9-10-1 overall, with one meet remaining.

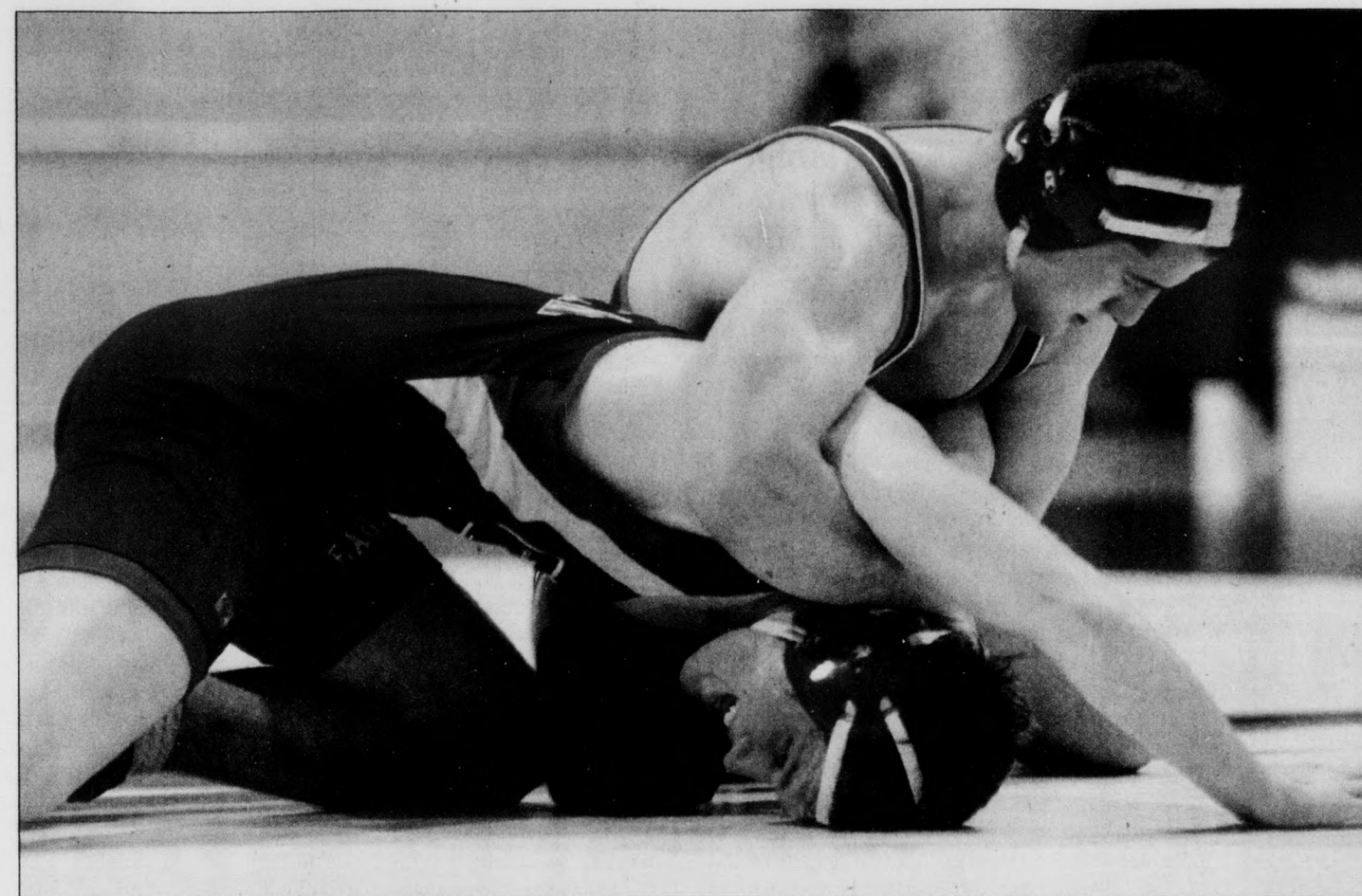
"We knew coming in that both were winnable matches against EIWA [Eastern Intercollegiate Wrestling Association] opponents," Head Wrestling Coach Dan Wirnsberger said, "and it was important for our wrestlers to perform as well as possible for tournament standings."

The Orange and Blue were spotted a 12-0 lead right off the bat against

American, as the Eagles forfeited two matches due to an inability to place a wrestler in the 125-pound and heavyweight classes. No. 18 David Marble '10 extended the lead to 15-0 with a 10-4 decision against Matt Mariacher in the first match of the day.

Luke Chohany '10 lost a major decision to Kyle Borshoff in the next match to make the score 15-4, but Kevin LeValley '11 earned another technical fall, this time over Chris Clarke, immediately afterwards to make the score 20-4.

The Eagles made a short run, winning the 157- and 165-



Ryan Winn — The Bucknellian
David Thompson '11 overpowers American wrestler Brooks Keefe. Thompson won by major decision, 11-2 and he will be representing the Orange and Blue at the EIWA Championship in 184 pound weight class.

pound matches to make the score 20-11. Christopher Stout scored a major decision over Brantley Hooks '10 at 157, and No. 6 Mike Cannon got a decision over No. 19 Andy Rendos '10 at 165 to complete the seven-point swing.

One match later, Shane Riccio '10 sealed the victory for the Bison with his 14th straight

dual meet win. Riccio pinned Jonathon Powell in 1:47 to advance the lead to 26-11.

David Thompson '11 won his 184-pound match against Brooks Keefe by a major decision before Andy Semple closed out the 30-14 match with a win over Sean LoCurto '10.

The Orange and Blue didn't

need any help against

Stroudsburg, winning eight of the 10 matches on their way to a 28-9 win over the Warriors. Rendos started off the match for the Bison with a 15-2 major decision over Joe Schick. Riccio and Thompson followed

with decisions in the 174- and 184-pound classes, and the Bison were out to a 10-0 lead.

The Warriors fought back in the next two matches, and pushed the score to 10-9 after five bouts. Dave Williams pinned Charlie Wonsetter '11 in the 197-pound match, and Chris Birchler nearly evened the score with a decision over

heavyweight George Hingson '10.

The Bison squashed the Warrior run and closed out the match with five straight wins.

Greg Hart '10 started the Bison run with a major decision over Matthew Benedetti. Marble and Chohany earned decisions in the 133- and 141-pound matches, respectively, to make the score 20-9. LeValley earned a technical fall over Jesse Dunn, at 149, before Hooks ended the match with a decision over Kyle Heselpoth.

"The crowd support was tremendous this weekend and definitely helped us through the long weekend," Riccio said, after combined attendance to the weekend's matches nearly reached 1,000.

The Bison will close out their season on the road at No. 15 Cornell, looking to reach .500 on the season and gain some important experience for the EIWA tournament. The Big Red enter the match sporting a roster with six top-20 wrestlers, including four in the top 10.

Marble and Rendos will face opponents ranked second and fourth in their respective weight classes, while Riccio will defend his win streak against the nation's 10th-ranked 174-pounder.

"Going out there and executing and performing could make the difference," Wirnsberger said.

The Bison will travel to Ithaca, N.Y., Saturday for the 3 p.m. match.

Water polo splits at Princeton Invitational

Orange and Blue earn first victory over ranked team since 2006 season

By ELLIS HUDES
Senior Writer

The women's water polo team went 2-2 at the Princeton Invitational over the weekend, including victories over Siena and No. 18 Indiana and losses to No. 15 Michigan and No. 6 San Diego State. The team ended the weekend on a high note upsetting Indiana, their first victory over a ranked opponent in two years. That year's upset was also against Indiana in the 2006 Eastern Championships. The Orange and Blue improved to 7-2 this season.

The Bison's final game against Indiana ended a 14-match losing streak to ranked teams. They were well-matched in the first frame before the Bison gained some momentum and went into halftime with a 7-4 advantage. After a strong third quarter from the Hoosiers, the Bison could not afford to make many mistakes.

"This weekend our team proved that we are ready to compete with any team in the country," Head Coach John Abdou said. "We played well in each of our four games against very good competition, so hopefully this inspires us to keep working hard towards

accomplishing our goals."

Valentina Rozas '10 was the hero that day after netting a miraculous shot on goal with two seconds to go. She also recorded new career-highs in goals and points.

Three other players contributed goals to the Bison's offensive efforts. Aubrey Rowe '09 scored three times while Whitney Allen '11 and

defensive effort.

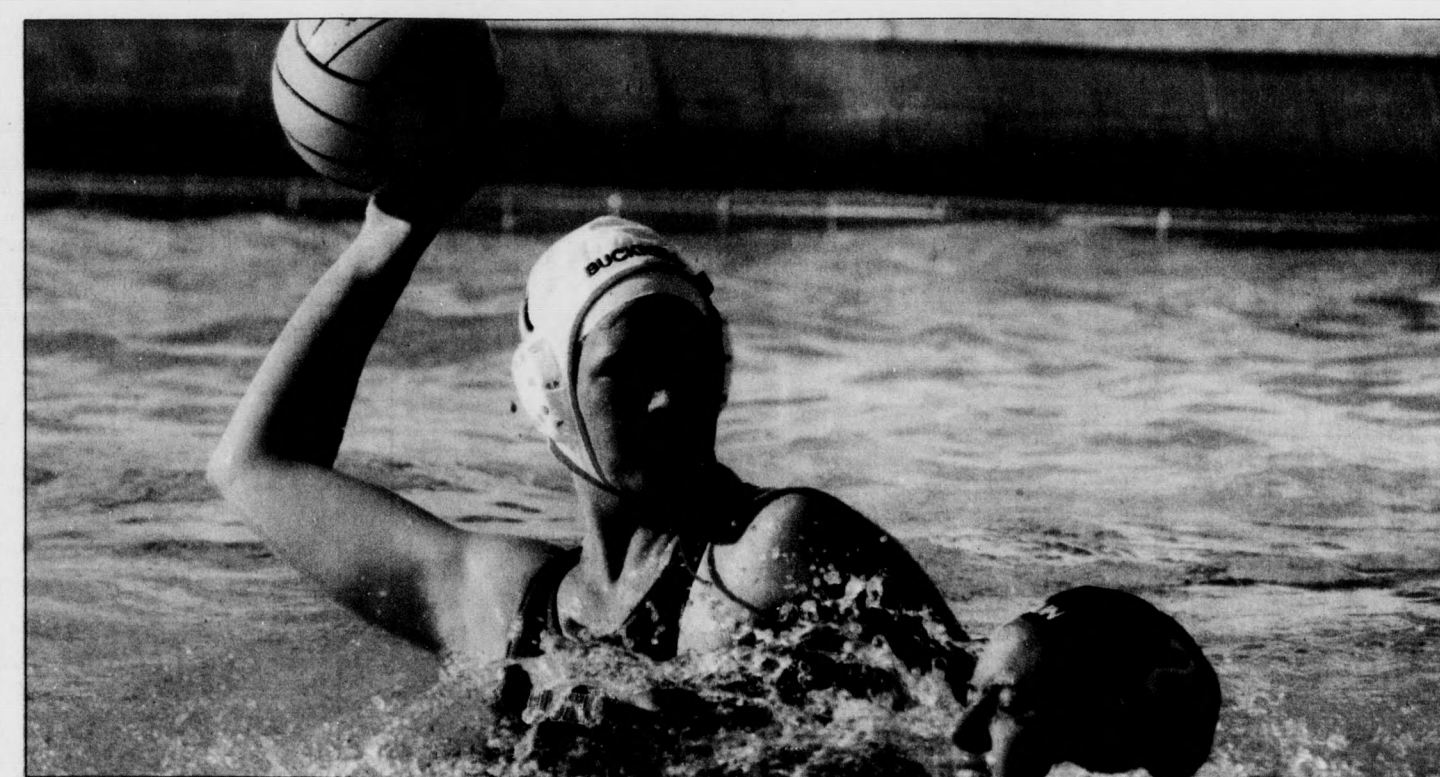
Earlier that day, the Orange and Blue took on Michigan. Both squads took part in a goal-laden first quarter, with the Bison edging in front 4-3. A lopsided 0-4 second quarter made the difference. The Wolverines managed to keep the Bison at bay during the second half and ultimately clinched the match 11-8.

Rozas and Palencia led a balanced offensive attack for the Bison with two goals each. The team recorded eight assists, four of them from Gins. On the defensive end, Carter made five saves in goal.

The Bison picked up their first defeat of the season against San Diego State. Though they found themselves trailing early,

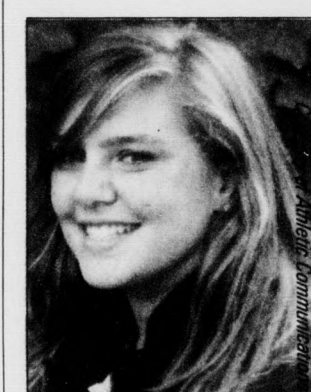
the Orange and Blue made inroads in the second and third quarters and pulled to within one point of the nationally-ranked Aztecs. The Bison could not sustain the momentum as the Aztecs regrouped with a decisive 4-0 fourth quarter.

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Jen Swoyer '08 passes over an opponent. Swoyer has played in all nine games this season, notching 15 points and a team-high 17 steals. The team will play in the Maryland Invitational this weekend against squads from Villanova, Wagner and Iona.

First-year profile:



Kandis Canonica

By CONNIE BARKO
Senior Writer

As the women's water polo team battled Indiana last weekend, Kandis Canonica '11 accumulated four assists to help the Bison win 11-10. With 16 during the last nine games, Canonica leads the team in assists this season.

"I expect that she will do so all season long for us," Coach John Abdou said. "In fact, I wouldn't be surprised that when her career at Bucknell is over that she will hold the school record in that category."

Canonica is the only lefty on the University squad, which is advantageous for offense.

"She is very aggressive and a strong legitimate shooting threat from the left-handed position. She is also great at looking weak side, so I see her tallying up many assists this season," Meagan Gins '08 said.

This natural ability has been particularly useful since the Bison graduated their left-handed utility player last year. They both played on the same

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Bison fall to No. 2 Blue Devils

Men's lacrosse team drops to 0-1 after 16-4 defeat

By WES TROWBRIDGE
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team was defeated 16-4 by No. 2 Duke at Koskinen Stadium in Durham, N.C. on Saturday. Almost the Division I National Champions in 2007, the Blue Devils were simply too much for the Orange and Blue, dropping out of the Nike/Inside Lacrosse Media Poll Top 20 following the loss.

Duke's offense, entering the season with the No. 1 attack unit in the country according to Inside Lacrosse, found the back of the net 16 times against the Bison's defensive unit, ranking second in goals allowed per game last season. Zach Greer led the Blue Devils with four goals and two assists on his way to ACC Player of the Week honors.

"[Duke] could [currently] be one of the best college lacrosse teams of all time," Head Coach Frank Fedorjaka said. "This game was great for us because it exposed our weaknesses."

After a hard fought first quarter, the Bison trailed 2-1 after an unassisted goal by Austin Winter '10, but Duke scored seven unanswered goals over the next two quarters to put the game out of reach. Attackman Ryan Klipstein '11 recorded his first career assist, aid-



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Austin Winter '10 looks to create a play from behind the net. Winter led the Bison against Duke with one goal and one assist.

ing Tim Brandau '10 midway through the third, and additional goals were added by Joe Mele '09 and Nick Marks '08 in the final five minutes. Winter also recorded one assist for the team.

The Bison struggled at the X, winning just seven out of 24 face-offs. Rick Carolan '08 won five out of 17 attempts.

"We need to improve our percentage at the face-off," Coach Fedorjaka said. "[Carolan] did a great job of neutralizing the initial clamp, but we were unable to scoop the 50-50 ground balls consistently."

"This does not change the outlook of our season. This game showed us what we need to work on ... everything can easily be fixed and we still have a lot of talent and a good attitude."

— Billy Haire '09

Nick Sciubba '09 recorded nine saves while allowing 11 goals in 42 minutes of action, and backup goaltender Matt Antonelli '09 tallied 5 saves in the remaining 18 minutes of the contest. Sciubba also picked up five ground balls, while Billy Haire '09 and Perry Menzies '09 scooped up three each.

"This does not change the outlook of our season," Haire said. "This game showed us what we need to work on ... everything can easily be fixed and we still have a lot of talent and a good attitude."

In other Patriot League action, Colgate lost its season opener to No. 16 Denver 15-5 while No. 10 Navy jumped out to a 2-0 start with a blowout win over Virginia Military Institute (VMI) and later earned a close 8-7 victory over Ohio State. Army also defeated VMI, by a score of 16-3, and Holy Cross and Lehigh also won their season openers with victories over St. John's and St. Joseph's respectively. Of the five Patriot League teams that are not currently ranked in the Nike/Inside Lacrosse top 20, four of them (the University No. 21, Army No. 22, Holy Cross No. 25 and Colgate No.28) received votes in this week's media poll.

Saturday afternoon the Bison will face Hobart, a former Patriot League rival, at Boys' Latin High School in Baltimore, Md. Alex Lyons '11 and co-captain Evan Burns '08 are both graduates of Boys' Latin's high school lacrosse program.

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Women's basketball splits two games

By JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

The women's basketball team clobbered Lafayette 68-45 on Wednesday night, routing the Leopards from start to finish at Lafayette's Kirby Sports Center. The big win followed a tough 73-67 loss to Holy Cross last Saturday, which leaves the Bison at 11-14 on the season, and in fifth place in the Patriot League standings with a mark of 6-5.

Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka had remarked following the loss at Holy Cross that the team "just had to stay tough and keep plugging." The Bison performance at Lafayette was nothing short of tough, as the team put together one of its best games of the season.

Lauren Schober '09 led the Bison attack on Wednesday at Lafayette, dropping 15 points from the floor, tallying seven rebounds beneath the hoop and serving up six assists. Hope Foster '08 had her 16th career double-double, scoring 11 points and picking up 10 rebounds, while both Kesha Champion '08 and Amanda Brown '09 chalked up 12 points and five rebounds apiece. Cosima Higham '11 was unstoppable on the glass, ripping down 12 boards in only 15 minutes of play.

The Orange and Blue were lights out in the first half, shooting 58.6 percent from the floor, and 50 percent from behind the arc. The women held the lead the entire game, kicking off the contest with six unanswered points. With a little over 11 minutes left in the half, Champion hit a jumper out of a timeout to put the Bison up 27-9. The Leopards struggled to narrow the lead, but the Orange and Blue had the hotter hand, closing out the half with a 7-1 run to take a commanding 40-22 lead into the locker room.

Schober kicked off the second half with a nice shot to boost the lead to 20. Lafayette began to claw back slowly as the half progressed, cutting the lead to eleven with 15 minutes remaining in the game. This would be the closest Lafayette would come the rest of the game, as the Bison continued to shoot well, box out and grab rebounds and pressure the Leopards into shooting just 24.1 percent in the second half.

Leading 59-45 with four minutes left on the clock, the Bison closed out the game with nine straight points, locking down the 68-45 victory. In last Saturday's game at Holy Cross, the Bison dropped a 73-67 decision after a final minute comeback fell just shy. The game was the first of the women's three-game road trip, which will end tomorrow at Colgate. Foster led the way for the Bison from the floor, tallying 16 of her 20 points in the final half during the Orange and Blue surge, while also registering four blocks at the other end.

The scoring was close for the opening minutes of the first half, but a 14-4 run by the Crusaders during the middle of the half put the Bison down by as much as thirteen. Bucknell recovered slightly thanks to two three-pointers from Brown, closing the gap to just ten by the halftime whistle. The last points of the half came of a Cosima Higham '11 lay-up, sending the teams into the break with Holy Cross leading 32-22.

"This is the best Brown has looked since coming back off the injury," said Coach Fedorjaka. "Foster had an impressive game on the offensive end, but we need to be on all cylinders together, offensively and defensively."

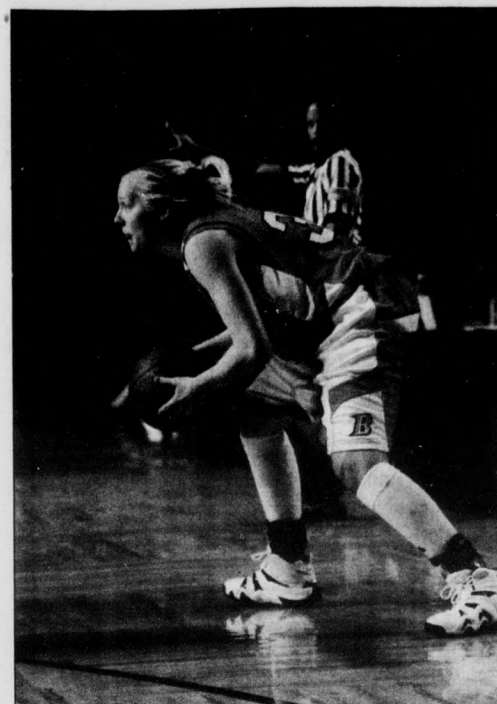
Brown had five three-pointers on the evening, hitting three of them in the final 10 minutes. Champion had a strong game with 14 points and three assists on the outing.

The Bison wrap up their three-game road trip tomorrow at Colgate, with tip-off at 2 p.m. The team will return to Sojka Pavilion for its final two regular season games against Lehigh and Army.

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The Class of 2008 has been a part of three of the six winning seasons in University history, and its greatest three-year stretch. Since the start of the 2004-2005 season, the team has won 84 games, two regular-season Patriot League titles, two Patriot League Tournament titles and two NCAA Tournament games. It has also won the hearts of the students who have been here to witness it all. Each win is special, but perhaps it means a little more to the seniors who don't know how many wins they have left.

After Wednesday's game Mastropalo said, "I remember how bad I wanted Abe [Badmus '07], Chris [McNaughton '07] and Donald [Brown '07]



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Taylor Phillips '11 scans the court. She is averaging 4.9 points and 2.4 rebounds per game this season.

Back on the court, the Crusaders managed to maintain a safe distance between their comfortable lead and the Bison until nearly half the stanza had expired. Following a Novacek jumper, and several points from Champion the Orange and Blue kicked off a 10-2 run to cut the lead to just four at 42-38 by the middle of the half.

Holy Cross played strong from that point on, but was unable to manage the Bison as they had in the minutes prior. Coming within two points several times, the Orange and Blue continued to threaten a lead change, coming their closest with just under two minutes remaining after Brown hit another two shots from behind the arc in a row to shrink the Crusader advantage to one at 63-62. Holy Cross ran the possession clock nearly to zero on the next drive, converting on a lay-up with 1:16 remaining in the game.

Brown tried for three in a row but was off the mark. The Crusaders scored again to boost their lead to five, leading 67-62 with 28 seconds left. Schober was fouled on the next drive for the Bison, hitting both shots to heave the pressure back on Holy Cross. On a controversial call, Foster was charged with an off-the-ball foul during the Crusader inbound pass, setting Holy Cross for two more shots from the foul line. Holy Cross' Bethany O'Dell hit both shots to seal the deal. Brown did hit another three for the Bison to cut back into the lead, but two more foul shots by Holy Cross wrapped up the 73-67 win for the Crusaders.

"This is the best Brown has looked since coming back off the injury," said Coach Fedorjaka. "Foster had an impressive game on the offensive end, but we need to be on all cylinders together, offensively and defensively."

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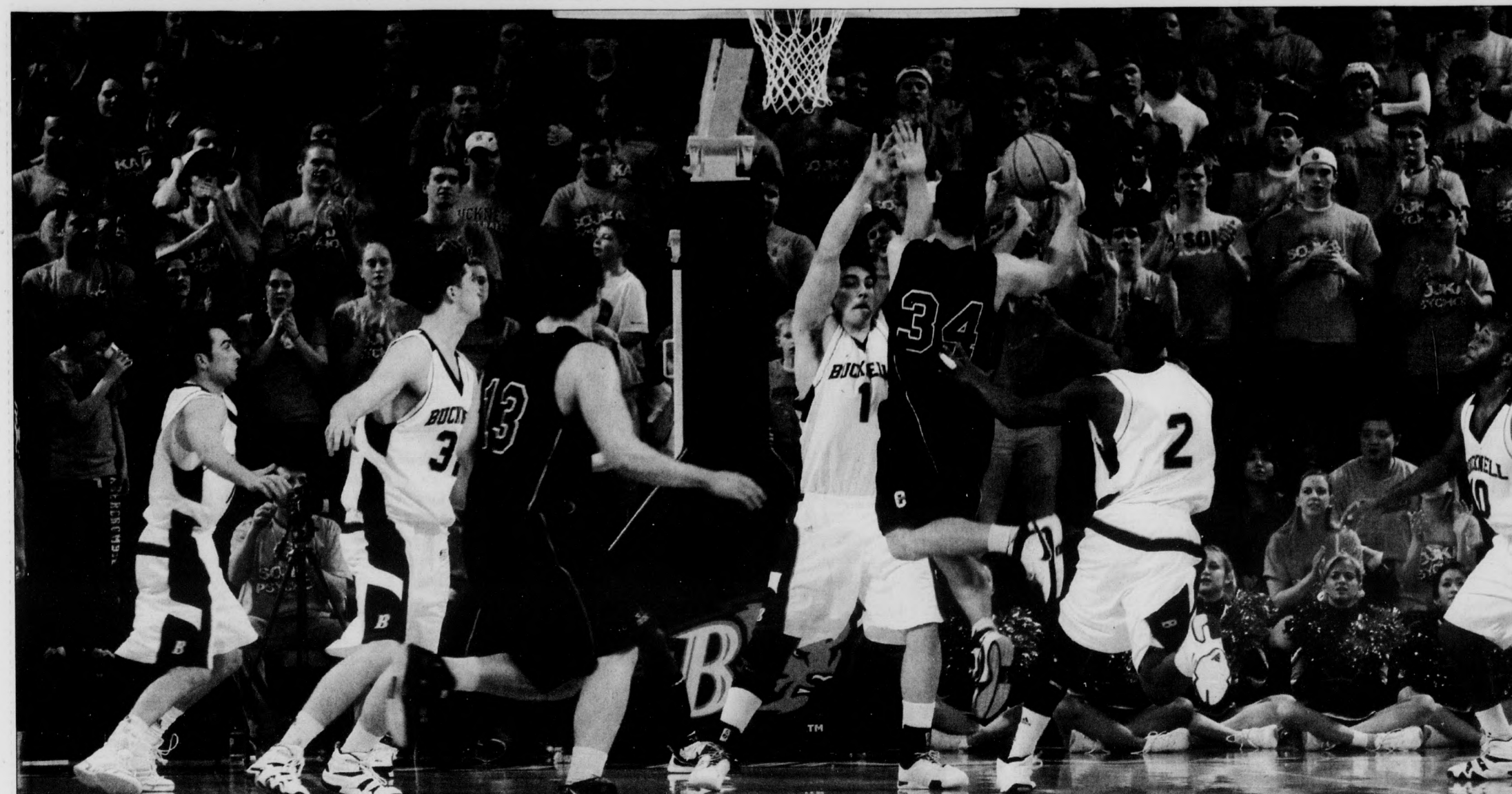
The Bison wrap up their three-game road trip tomorrow at Colgate, with tip-off at 2 p.m. The team will return to Sojka Pavilion for its final two regular season games against Lehigh and Army.

to win [on Senior Day], but I never really understood. It is nowhere near the feeling I have now. There is just now way to understand [unless you are a senior]."

Mastropalo also ranked this game as "probably one of my favorite wins of my whole career." I'd agree with that. It was a typical Bison game, with ups and downs, poor officiating, clutch shots, physical play and something that has been a little harder to come by this year than previous years, a win.

I couldn't have asked for a better final game to see as a student at Sojka Pavilion, knowing that it will take strong play over the final two conference games to be able to get at least one more game here. However, as Griffin ran out of the media room, I yelled after him, "I want another game here."

He turned back and said, "Me too. Me too."



Ryan Winn—The Bucknellian
Darren Mastropalo '08 protects the lane against an incoming Colgate player. The men's basketball team will participate in the ESPN BracketBusters event, playing against Old Dominion.

Men's basketball earns overtime win

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

After losing three consecutive league games and five of its last six overall, the Bison men's basketball team found itself in desperate need of a win. Wednesday night's game against Lafayette at Sojka Pavilion was also Senior Night, a chance to honor the trio of John Griffin '08, Darren Mastropalo '08 and Rob Thomas '08. After winning their first 31 conference home games at Sojka Pavilion, the senior trio needed a win to avoid losing their fourth in a row in Lewisburg. With everything on the line, the Orange and Blue came through with a much needed 77-75 overtime victory over the Leopards. This win helped to cushion the blow of a 63-53 loss to rival Holy Cross on Saturday.

Stephen Tyree '10 is asked to do a lot of things for the Orange and Blue—play out of position as a power forward, be a facilitator on the offensive end of the floor, rebound—and game after game he continues to deliver. With 2.9 seconds left in overtime, Tyree delivered again, hitting a hanging jump shot just short of the basket to give his team the 77-75 win. Tight defense by Tyree and Justin Castleberry '09, who had a career-high five steals, on Lafayette's last ditch effort resulted in Bilal Abdullah being unable to release a possible game-tying shot.

"The ref didn't call it," Abdullah and Lafayette Head Coach Fran O'Hanlon said in unison when asked about the contact that came on the game's final possession. For the second time this season Darryl Shazier '11 drained a three-pointer that would send the Bison (11-15, 6-6) to overtime. His three came with 13 seconds remaining in regulation and the Leopards (14-12, 5-6) leading 67-64. It was the only shot of the night that the first-year point guard made.

"Before the game we committed to each other," Shazier said. "Start like our record is 0-0, and we need to win out. We had to do this for our seniors and our season."

Lafayette missed a pair of shots at the end of regulation to send the game into overtime, and the back-and-forth game continued for five more minutes. The Leopards led 71-68, but five straight Bison points from Patrick Behan '10 tied the score at 73 with one minute and 25 seconds left to play. A pair of free throws gave Lafayette back the lead, but Griffin hit two of his own

with 51 seconds left to tie the score again. Airtight defense by the Orange and Blue caused a Leopard-shot clock violation, and with 9.5 seconds remaining Bison Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 used a timeout to set up the final play, [Tyree's] game-winning isolation drive.

"[Tyree's] a match-up problem [for the opponent]," Flannery said. "We inserted Darryl Shazier for more foot speed. Justin and John don't beat people off the dribble. You can't always win games by screening all the time. You are going to have to make individual plays."

The Orange and Blue had a 33-21 lead at halftime, thanks to 20 first half points from its bench, while Tyree had 11 points and six assists. The Bison missed 15 of their 21 three-point attempts and six out of 17 free throws. Thomas injured his foot during the contest, but continued to play, hitting a three-pointer that had cut the Crusaders lead to 52-51 with 3:22 left. He was unable to play against the Leopards, however, and his status is day-to-day.

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Griffin scored 13 points, to go along with four assists and four steals. Tyree added 12 points and seven assists, while Castleberry and Mastropalo each scored 10.

The final score of the game against Holy Cross (14-11, 5-7) is not indicative of how close the game was. A three-pointer that hit ever part of the rim and backboard possible before falling through the net by Colin Cunningham gave Holy Cross a 57-52 lead with 2:15 left in the game, and the Orange and Blue were unable to manage more than one made free throw down the stretch.

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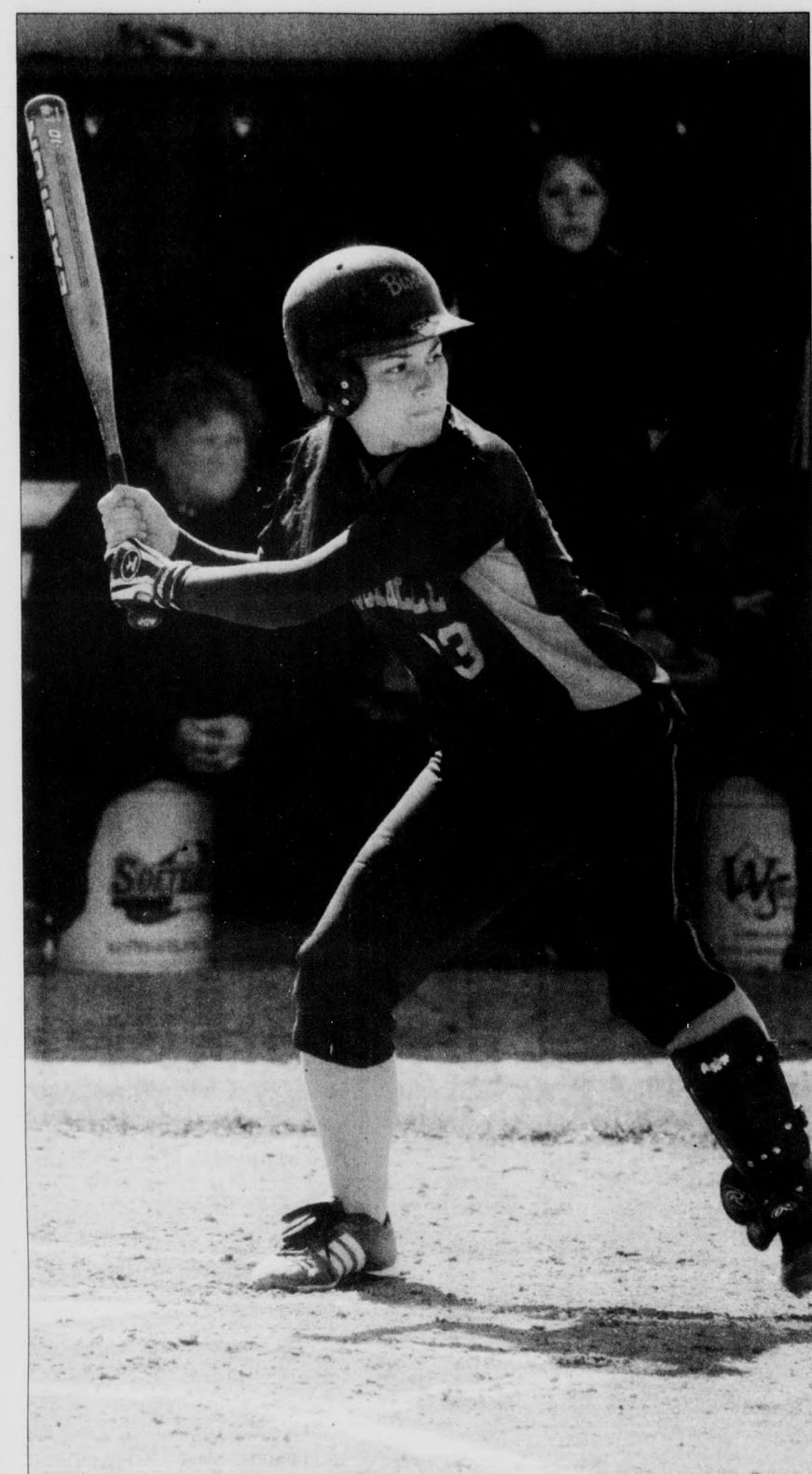
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Softball falls to 1-4 at Lancer Leadoff Classic

Bison drops games to Eastern Michigan, Longwood, Morehead State; squad earns victory against Pittsburgh



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Co-captain Erin Curatola '08 times her swing. Curatola has knocked out three hits and driven in one run so far this season.

By JOHN MLODZINSKI
Senior Writer

The Bison women's softball team opened its 2008 campaign at the Lancer Leadoff Classic. The team played well in its first games of the season. Although the team was only able to pick up one win, the Bison kept all of the games close, and the players and coaches were pleased with the overall performance of the team.

"This weekend was a great opportunity for our team to get outside on a real field and play good competition. By the end of the weekend we were playing together, as a team and stayed competitive in some very close games," Ashley Beane '09 said.

On Sunday the team closed out the weekend with a hard earned split in two games versus Pittsburgh and Morehead State. They opened up with a 4-1 victory over Pittsburgh and then lost a heartbreaking game to Morehead State, 3-1. The team was disappointed with this loss, but they know there are a lot of intangibles that can come from a game like that.

"By Sunday we were playing much more aggressively, really out there to win it... although we lost the second game that day, we continued to play at that same level, and I feel good about the rest of our season if we maintain that," Christie Wiest '08 said.

The game against Pittsburgh started off slow, as neither team was able to manufacture any runs through three innings. Pittsburgh got up on the board first in the fourth inning when a sacrifice fly brought home one run. The fifth inning turned out to be a big one for the Bison. Helped by a string of errors by the Panthers, the team's first four batters reached base and scored. This would be all the offense the Bison would need, because the defense, led by Wiest, shut down the Panthers offense. In doing so Wiest pitched her third career complete game.

"I was just trying to put my team in the best position to win. We put all the

pieces together against Pitt and pulled out a great win," Wiest said.

The Morehead State game was a tough loss for the Bison. Both teams failed to get any runners

to cross the plate for the first three innings. In the top of the fourth, Morehead State took the lead when Kari Quinn scored on a fielder's choice. The Bison responded in the bottom of the fifth when Jessie Snyder '11 scored on a sacrifice fly by Alyssa Okita '10.

The Bison were unable to produce any more runs after this, and in the top of the sixth Bethany Ellis put Morehead State up for good with an RBI double.

Katie McDonald '09 started on the mound for the Bison and surrendered seven hits and three runs in 5.1 innings. Wiest took over for her in the sixth and gave up one hit and one walk in 1.2 innings. Although they lost this game, the team feels as if they have improved greatly over the weekend.

"I thought our level of play steadily increased over the weekend. Since it's just the start of the season we've been focusing on improving on what we didn't do so well in the last game, and we definitely showed that with our strongest performances of the weekend being on Sunday," Wiest said.

On Saturday the Bison went up against Eastern Michigan in what turned out to be quite a pitcher's

duel. Unfortunately for the Bison, Jessica Grant's RBI single in the fourth was all the Eagles needed to defeat the Bison. Wiest pitched six strong innings to pick up the complete game and Kari Chambers of Eastern Michigan went seven innings for the complete game.

Head Coach Heather Rakosik knows the team played their hearts out and had a tough time accepting this loss.

"As a whole we were in every game against strong competition. It is tough to lose such close games, but hopefully this will prepare us to change that in future games," Rakosik said.

The Bison opened their 2008 season

Friday and despite two valiant comeback attempts, fell to Eastern Michigan, 12-7 and Longwood, 3-2.

The team faced Eastern Michigan first. Allison Ford '11 and Sherry Finkel '10 each hit

home runs to lead the offense. Eastern Michigan scored one run in the bottom first, but the Bison offense quickly responded with three runs. Eastern Michigan added two more in the bottom of the second, but the Bison were able to counter with two more runs in the top of the third.

Eastern Michigan started to pull away in the bottom of the third. McDonald was touched for five runs in the inning as Eastern Michigan took an 8-5 lead, one they would not relinquish.

The Bison added another run in the top of the fourth, but Eastern Michigan added one run in the fifth and three more in the sixth against Heather Haskin '08.

The University's bid for a comeback in the top of the seventh ended with the Bison only producing one run.

The Bison faced Longwood next and were unable to muster any offense for the first six innings. The

Lancers put up one run in the fourth and two in the fifth to take a 3-0 lead. Heading into the top of the seventh, the Orange and Blue needed a spark to get their offense going as they were hoping for a comeback.

Sam Rolland '11 and Haskin looked to get the momentum going in the Bison's favor. The team's bid for a comeback ended as the Bison could only produce two runs on RBIs by Haskin and Rolland.

The team realizes they have some adjustments to make, but know they are not far off from being able to come out of the close games with victories.

"Of course, we would definitely like to continue improving in our hitting especially, but all aspects as well in order to be on the winning side more often in those close games," Beane said.

The Bison return to the field Feb. 23, when they will travel to the University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC).

Morehead State 3
Bucknell 1

E. Michigan 12
Bucknell 7

Longwood 3
Bucknell 2

E. Michigan 1
Bucknell 0

Baseball season preview

By KENNETH BLACK
Contributing Writer

The men's baseball team looks to rebound this spring from a mediocre 2007 season in which they earned a 16-24 overall record and 8-12 in the Patriot League.

The Bison will return seven positional starters, including 2007 Louisville Slugger Freshman All-American and Patriot League Rookie of the Year, Ben Yoder '10. Yoder, a middle infielder, is the Bison's

"We will be challenging ourselves with a very competitive early season schedule and hope we get some cooperation from the weather to get the work we need to be ready for the league season."

—Gene Depew '71, head coach

top returning hitter, batting .317 as a rookie.

Also returning, for his final season at the top of the rotation, will be right-hander Matt Wilson '08 who has been named to the Brooks Wallace Player of the Year Watch List for this upcoming season. Wilson is coming off an exceptional junior season, compiling a 1.78 earned run average over 60.2 innings, including two shutouts over Cornell and Navy, while finishing with a record of 4-4.

"It's a real honor to be recognized on the national level on a list with so many great players," Wilson said.

Joining him in the starting rotation this season will be fellow co-captain Jason Buursma '08, who was drafted by the Seattle Mariners in the 43rd round of the MLB draft last year and filled the role of designated hitter and closer for the Bison last season. Buursma notched five saves for the Orange and Blue a year ago while posting a 4-1 record, and also holds the school record for career saves at 15.

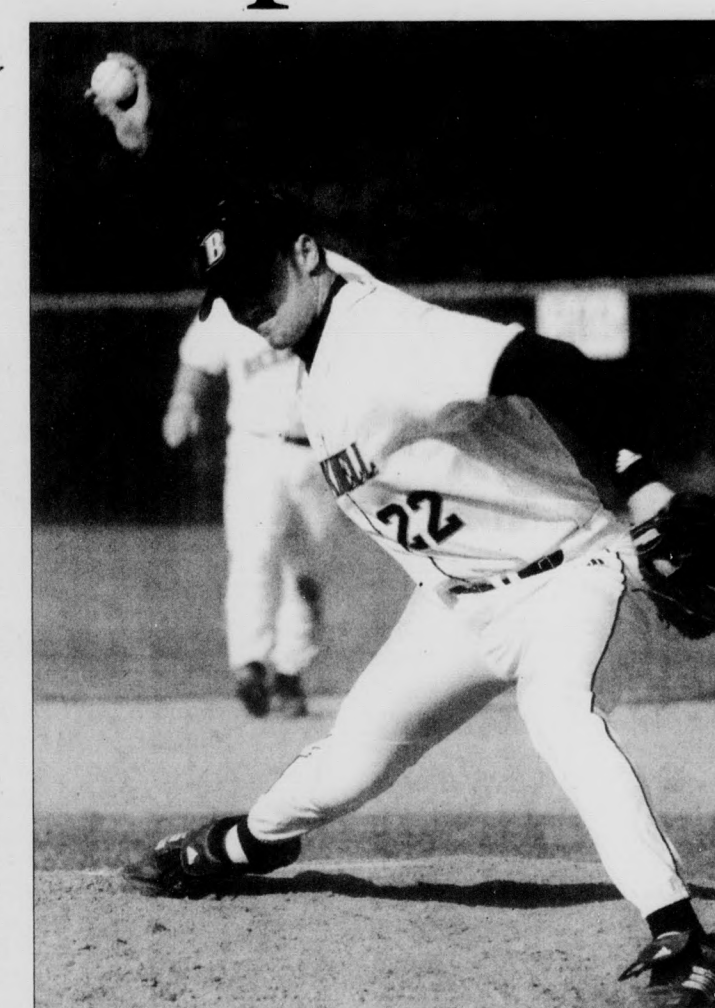
At the helm will be Gene Depew, entering his 27th season as head coach of Bucknell. Gene Depew is a three-time Patriot League Coach of the Year, compiling 468 wins since taking over in 1982.

"We have high expectations for this season. Our players and coaches have worked very hard since last fall to be as good as we can be this spring," Depew said.

Catching for the Bison will be Shawn Hirsch '08, who posted career highs last year in batting average (.278) and RBIs (15). Backing him up will be Zach Brown '09 and B.J. LaRosa '10, as Depew considers this to be one of the team's deepest positions.

Co-captain Mark Angelo '08 will get the nod at first base for the Orange and Blue. Last season, saw Angelo rack up 27 hits in just 94 at bats, including two triples, and was perfect on the base paths, going 4-4 in steal attempts.

Joining Yoder in the middle of the infield will be Ben Allen '10, as both will be expected to provide solid defense up the middle for the Bison. Rounding out the infield will be Ed Rubbo '08 at third base, who Depew expects should have his best season yet.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Jason Buursma '08 winds up. Buursma's ERA of 1.65 last season was the second lowest in Patriot League history.

Patrolling center field for the Orange and Blue will be Dane Grandizio '09 who earned his first All-Patriot League selection in 2007, hitting .304 with 22 runs scored and 17 RBIs. Joining him in the corner outfield positions will be Austin Turban '08 and Chris Pieper '08, who split time last year in left field but will now look to fill the void left by Ryan Gryskewicz in right field.

Depew looks to fill the holes left by Buursma at the closer position as well as the back end of the rotation early on in the season as right-handers Andrew Clarke '10 and Andy Campbell '09 look to battle it out along

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club water polo team in California.

Canonica's primary position is driver, but because of her athletic ability, she can play a variety of positions.

"Now, we not only have good shooters on the left, but a definite threat from her side on the right," Jen Swoyer '08 said. "She is definitely one of the fastest girls on our team, which is great for our defense as we can always rely on her if/when [we] needed help to get back on defense when we get burned or are down."

Canonica has been swimming competitively since she was four years old and started playing water polo when she was in the seventh grade. She earned several honors for her swimming career in high school, but chose to play water polo at the University.

"I like the team aspect of water polo more," Canonica said. "I'd rather do something with a team than by myself. I think swimming is a little boring."

Canonica is originally from California, where she attended St. Ignace Academy. She was the career leader in goals with 208, a four-time all-league selection and a Central Coast Section All-Star Team member in 2006. Canonica also helped her team to two third-place finishes in the West Catholic Athletic League as well as two top-five finishes in the Central Coast Section.

Canonica already has several goals for her future on the team, including making second-team all league and helping her team go to Southern this year. The Bison will continue to look to her in upcoming games and seasons as the team continues to develop.

works extremely hard in the pool, but always manages to have fun while doing it," Aubrey Rowe '09 said. "She has a bright, bubbly personality, and can always be counted on to make us smile. She's a great person and water polo player, and we are so glad to have her on the team."

Canonica will be a senior in 2009.

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Canonica registered two goals and two assists to lead the team. Palencia notched two goals and one assist, while Gins contributed one goal and two assists. Carter and Rachel McGillis '09 shared time as goalkeeper and compiled three and five saves, respectively.

The team had kicked off its campaign at the Princeton Invitational with a 14-5 rout of Siena. After a scoreless first quarter, the Bison rallied on the Saints' defense. Haley Prickett '11 had a career game with six goals and two assists for a total of eight points, two short of the program record.

The Bison will play at the Maryland Invitational this week. Their opponents will include Villanova, Wagner and Iona.

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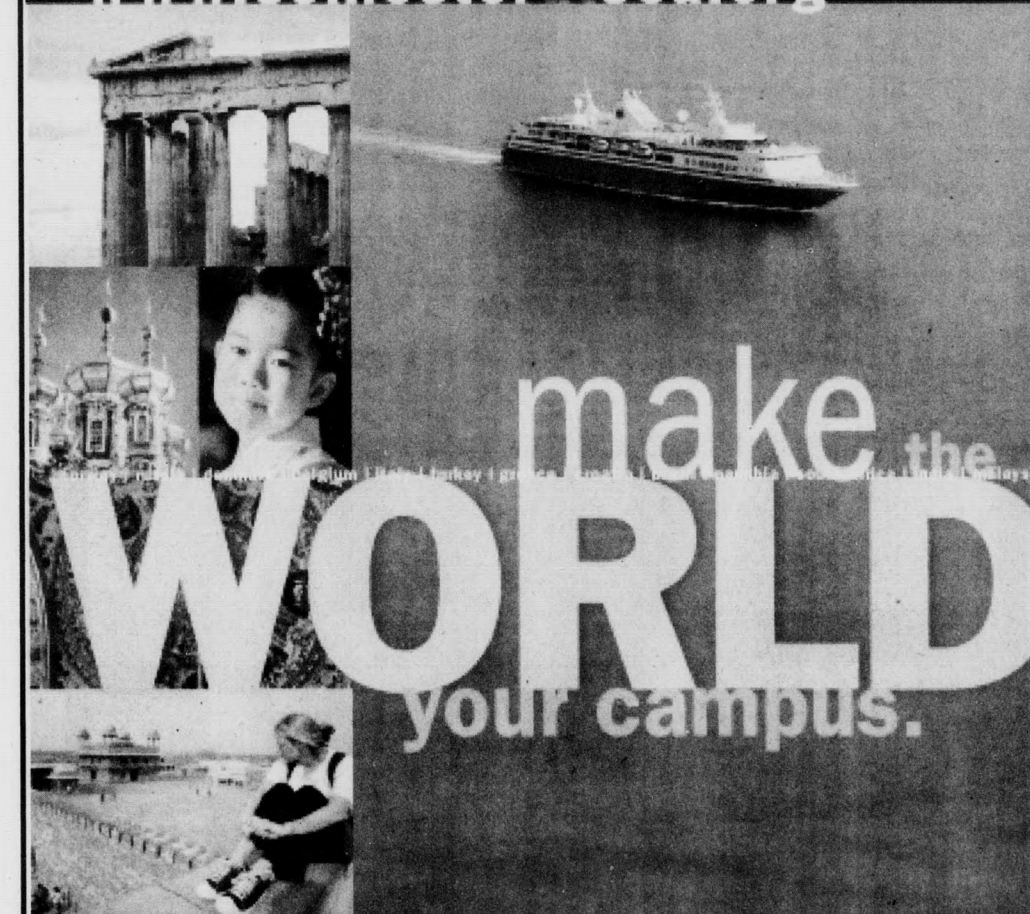
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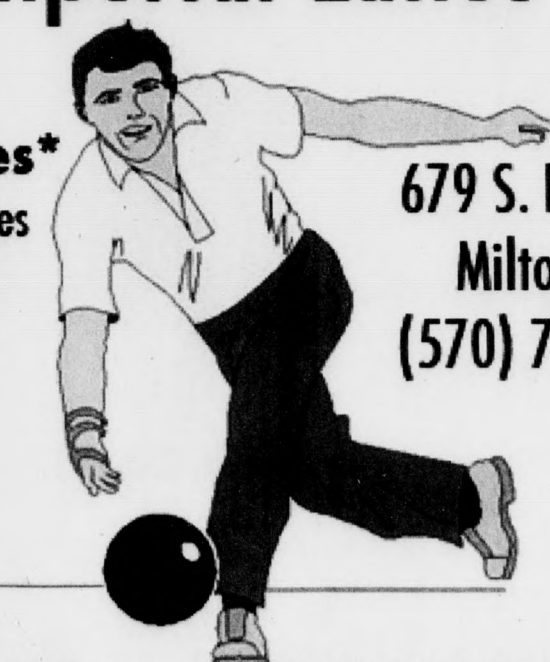
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The Essentials

Everything you really need to know before you graduate

Start your 401k right away

By RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editor

You may think you're too young to be considering retirement plans, but one of the most important things you can do for yourself after graduating, if you haven't already, is start a 401k plan through the company you work for.

By putting some of your income into a 401k each year, you can supply yourself with a considerable amount of money when you decide to retire.

A 401k, sponsored by your company, allows you to save money at higher interest rates. This perk often includes the added bonus of matched contributions from your employer. If your employer provides a 401k, the company should ask you what percentage of your pay you would like to defer each paycheck. That money will go directly into your account without being taxed.

You can also start a 401k plan if you are self-employed. According to the Internal Revenue Service, you are currently able to assign up to \$15,500 of your salary to your 401k annually, which can potentially be matched by your employer.

Often employers will match what you put into your 401k—up to a certain percentage. This is basically free money in a no-risk investment, so it's a good idea to put as much money in as your employer will match in order to take advantage of this benefit.

If the employee is 50 or older, he or she can invest an additional \$5,000 in order to "catch-up" and increase the overall interest the account earns.

Beginning a 401k shortly after you graduate is crucial because starting early makes a huge difference. Compounding interest applied in a 401k greatly increases your overall total and can eventually amount to thousands of dollars.

For example, putting \$2000 in your 401k at age 25, and assigning the same amount each year until you are 35, will give you almost twice as much money by the time you retire than someone who started putting the same amount in his 401k at age 35 and continued to do so until age 65.

One drawback with a 401k is that, with very few exceptions, you will not be able to remove money until you're 59 1/2. This can be helpful if you're not very good at saving money, but it may seem like a long time to wait.

Because it is a retirement account, the government wants you to keep money in the account to gain interest and provide for you once you are no longer in the workforce.

The IRS makes it difficult for you to remove money from your 401k early, and you will likely be charged 10 percent penalties as well as taxes if you decide to do so.

Reaching 59 1/2 may sound like a long time from now, but you'll be thankful you saved up when it comes time to retire because that money is guaranteed to be there.

If you're looking for another option to save money without locking up your funds, you can also start an Individual Retirement Account (IRA). You can choose to allocate a set amount of funds to your IRA from each paycheck. But this type of account has some important differences from a 401k you should be aware of.

In an IRA your money will still grow tax-free and earn interest, but you can only put in up to \$5,000 annually as of this year. For people who are over 50, the government allows an extra "catch-up" contribution of up to \$1,000 a year.

With IRAs, employers do not match your personal contributions.

You can start an IRA by visiting your bank. However, you can withdraw money from these accounts before you're 59 1/2 without paying penalties. The money will still be taxed when you withdraw it, but it's available for you anytime if you need money to pay off loans or purchase a house.

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BASE Activists get involved

Student group starts poetry night, helps send volunteers to Katrina

By RAJAA QADRI
Senior Writer

Marissa Calhoun '10, vice president of Brothers and Sisters Empowered (BASE), has been determined to bring positive changes to the campus student body.

"When I came to Bucknell I realized that the party atmosphere was not for me," she said. "Soon I found out that there were a lot of students like me who didn't like going to parties all the time. I wanted to find some alternative [by] doing something more expressive and meaningful."

With the help of BASE, Calhoun was able to start Artistic Expressions Night, a modern day Harlem Renaissance for University students, staff and faculty. This night features works from students not just limited to poetry, but also dancing, singing, karaoke open mic or any other creative way for students to express themselves.

"Artistic Expression takes place one Wednesday a month," Calhoun said. "I started the event with minimal expectations. I just hoped to create a diverse and comforting environment for everyone, but I am glad to see such a great turn out in the first two occurrences of the event."

"More students have shown up to the event than I imagined. We have around 40 to 50 students every time."

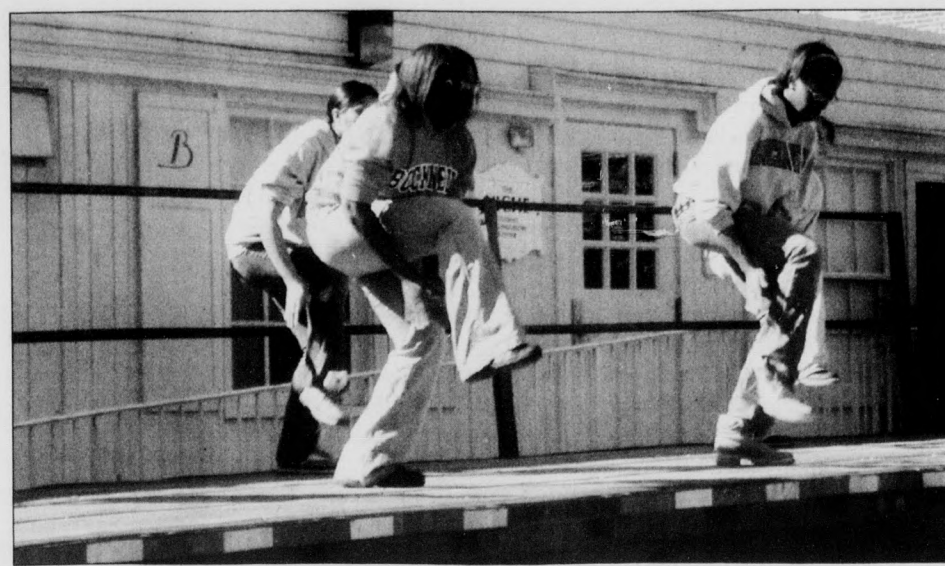
BASE Activist Committee sponsors the event. According to BASE's Web page on the University's Web site, "BASE educates the campus community on African-American issues and heritage, promotes among its members a sense of community and provides a support group for minority students on campus."

"BASE Activists Committee is geared toward awareness of social, political and cultural upheavals taking place in the world," Calhoun said. "They organize various events and try to bring it to the attention of the University's community."

"This year has been an exciting year for BASE as we have revisited many of the areas in our mission that we have not been able to address in recent history," said Jessica Hess, BASE advisor and director of Multicultural Student Services. "The students have continued to hold annual campus events such as Kwanzaa, but have extended into philanthropy, the arts, local community service and outreach."

The BASE Activist Committee has been helping Calhoun fundraise for students who want to be part of the Katrina Recovery Team for the trip to New Orleans in May through Candy for Katrina. Students sold candy-grams on Valentine's Day to acquire money.

"We collected enough money to help send three students to [New Orleans]. We want this to be a continuous fundraiser and are still collecting funds for the trip," Calhoun said.



Members of BASE teach STEP dance moves outside the 7th Street Café. Performing from left to right are May Naldo '09, Candace dePass '10 and Lucy Mensah '09.

The Katrina Recovery Team has been organized by the Office of Service-Learning to raise awareness about the ongoing struggle of the Gulf Coast following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and the failure of the levee systems in New Orleans.

Participants learn about factors that contributed to the devastation and what has happened to families and communities in the wake

"BASE Activists Committee is geared towards awareness of social, political and cultural upheavals taking place in the world."

—Marissa Calhoun '10

of the disaster.

Issues of climate change, environmental protection, economic development, race, class, gender, government obligations and faith-based responses are all discussed.

The trip scheduled for May 9-17 will send the fourth delegation of volunteers traveling from the University to the Gulf Coast to assist with recovery efforts.

"We will have 25 volunteers on this journey, and we will be staying at Camp Hope in St. Bernard Parish right next to the lower 9th Ward of New Orleans," said Janice Butler, director of Service Learning.

The University Katrina Recovery Team plans to work with Habitat for Humanity as well as other groups to restore and build homes for those displaced by the hurricanes.

"The volunteers will also work in Waveland, Miss., for a day and take in some of the cultural sights of the region," Butler said.

BASE collaborated with Bucknell African Student Association (BASA) on the project.

"I think Candy for Katrina was worth putting effort into. I remember we did this last year as well and it was [met with] much success. I am glad we were able to help BASE this year as well and gather money for the Recovery Trip," President of BASA Langston Tlingling-Clemmons '10, said.

"The University subsidizes over 25 percent of the cost of the trips, and the fee for each participant is just \$375 for airfare, lodging for eight days, transportation and most meals. Still, because some students cannot cover that cost, some subsidies are provided to those with financial need. The money raised through the efforts of BASE is a real help [for those who] cannot afford the participant fee," Butler said.

BASE also organized an informative and interactive panel on Hurricane Katrina aftermath last Friday. The panel consisted of James Peterson, assistant professor of English, Janice Butler, director of service learning, Jordan White '11, Mahdi Woodard '09 and Wilfredo Gomez (grad).

"The Katrina Panel went pretty well. We had a total of 35 people to come out. The discourse following the presentation was great. Many students had a lot to say and I hope this will be the first of many events to come," Calhoun said.

Apart from these active roles, BASE also organizes a Kwanzaa dinner every year to promote African culture on campus.

"It involves celebrating the culture and customs associated with Kwanzaa. The celebration starts out with a brief program including singing, dancing, and poetry. After the program we partake in traditional foods," Calhoun said.

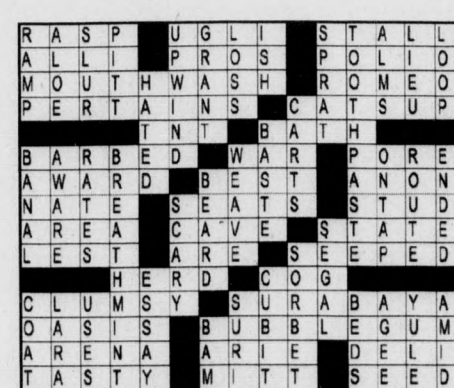
The Bucknellian Crossword

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1. The color of honey
6. "Titanic" nemesis
10. Accomplishment
14. Blush
15. 0 on an old phone (abbr.)
16. Track assignment
17. Line dance
18. Puerto
19. Makes a scene
20. Motivational phrase
23. Radiator output
26. Rejections
27. Broadcasting
28. Jog
29. Douglas
32. Motivational phrase
35. The Euro replaced it
36. For the birds?
37. Any doctrine
38. Part of some joints
39. GA neighbor
40. Motivational phrase
42. "Oh no!"
43. Season opener
44. Rocky ridge
45. Lady's man
46. Concurred
47. Motivational phrase
52. Suggestion
53. Real
54. Affresh
59. Penny
60. Airline to Israel
61. Once bitten, shy
62. Concludes
63. Not a lick
64. Mails

DOWN

1. Curve
2. Farm call
3. Dog holder
4. Bird-to-be
5. Transfer
6. Actor Karloff
7. Grander than grand
8. Take caution
9. Adult
10. Apartments
11. Apiece
12. Against
13. Midterm, e.g.
21. Hatcher of "Desperate Housewives"
22. It's not free of charge
23. Depression era President
24. Six-out event
25. Underworld bad guy
28. Rear end
29. Limited
30. Pressed
31. "You, I, and"
32. Facts and figures
33. Competed (for)
34. San Jose-to-Fresno dir.
35. Flood embankment
38. Uncontrollable outpourings
40. Ms. Dunst
41. Wise men
43. Former Russian orbiter
45. Concert tickets
46. Fred Astaire's sis
47. "Well done!"
48. Starting point



February 15 Answers

Professor recounts abroad experiences

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

Thomas Kinnaman, associate professor of economics, directed the "Bucknell in Barbados" program live in dorms, previous professors had found dorm life to be too loud. Thus, Kinnaman and his family lived in a house not too far from the campus.

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For Kinnaman, the best part of

the program was experiencing the Bajan culture and teaching Bajan students. For University students, however, he believes the best part was the adventure.

"Being in a different country can be scary at times," he said.

"It was nice for the students to be able to experience the world while still under the Bucknell umbrella, with fellow classmates and perhaps a professor with whom they were familiar. In adverse situations, the students really immerse themselves in the culture and I think they come back more well-rounded citizens."

The worst part, in Kinnaman's opinion, was trying to find someone to take care of his domestic affairs while he was away from home. He had to find someone to watch his house and dog for four months.

Another issue that he encountered was that some students became homesick.

"Having to see it in their eyes and still have to talk enthusiastically about, 'Hey, we still have another month to go,'" Kinnaman found it difficult to remain optimistic while some of the students were missing the simple pleasures of home, like going to the movies or McDonald's.

While Barbados does have amenities like cell phone and Internet access, the streets are narrower, and there is a more organic experience to be had.

Professor Kinnaman believes the "Bucknell in" programs are wonderful opportunities for students to go and experience new countries. However, he believes the "Bucknell



Waves lap the pristine beaches in Bathsheba, Barbados. This area of the island is popular with surfers, who enjoy the consistent ocean breaks.

in Barbados" program in particular is unique because it allows students to not only take courses in Barbados, but also experience an internship.

"As part of the program, they'll be working in an office or part of an organization in Barbados. Or they'll be working where their interests are. For instance, we had a student working in the Barbados school systems," he said. "We have also had students working for the Barbados newspapers, where they write columns. We've had students who have worked at banks and at consulting companies. That internship experience is unique since only the "Bucknell in Barbados" program offers that."

"Students enjoy the classroom.

It's a different kind of system ... no midterms, no homework. You just listen to the professor talk and all of a sudden [there are finals]," he said. "I think it makes them better students."

Kinnaman also enjoyed meeting new economics colleagues in Barbados, and feels that his experiences will help enrich the curriculum at the University.

Kinnaman believes Barbados is the place for students to go to experience a developing country and that spending a semester on the island is a wonderful opportunity.

"Things are not all modern," he said. "Things are kind of rustic and underdeveloped. It's a great experience for students who maybe grew up in a suburb."

Practicing yoga enriches capstone

By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

When Patricia Yu '08 saw a class session about yoga scheduled for Feb. 14 on her capstone's syllabus, she wasn't sure what to think. Classmate Derick Haas '08 felt nervous when he found out he'd be making a class trip to a local yoga center.

But as students in the class Perspectives in Health and Healing, their participation in a yoga session last week at the Integral Yoga Center in New Berlin, Pa. was part of the curriculum.

Kathleen Page, professor of biology, has been taking her capstone classes to the yoga center for the past five years. Three years prior to that, the Integral Yoga Center's owner, Sudharman, came to the University to visit with and teach the students.

"The class is in part designed to examine complementary medicine and healing health practices," Page said.

She explained bringing her classes to participate in a yoga session for an hour and a half class period is "wonderful because students can actively engage their bodies" instead of just listening to information.

But some in Page's class weren't sure how well they would do during the yoga session.

"One person told me they weren't very flexible, but I told them this wasn't an athletic competition," Page said.

Haas admitted thinking the yoga session "might be rather silly ... But as the session went on, I actually began to enjoy it."

Yu had long been curious about trying the practice, but found it difficult to fit into her schedule. Page said a lack of time also prevents her from being able to regularly attend yoga classes, which she first began taking in the 1970s.

"I go in and out, like everyone else, I'm so busy. But you do realize the extraordinary value of it when you go," Page said. "I think some students want to continue taking classes, but it's hard to find the time to go."

This is one of the reasons Page adds a yoga session to her class schedule. Haas and Yu felt it was a valuable experience for the course.

"This trip reinforced the topics that we discussed in class about the connection between the mind and body," Yu explained.

Haas said he gained a new respect for complementary medical practices by actually experiencing yoga as one of them.

"Coming from a traditionally western culture, we sometimes have a hard time understanding these additional techniques," he said.

"But contrary to what I thought prior to going, I would definitely try [yoga] again."

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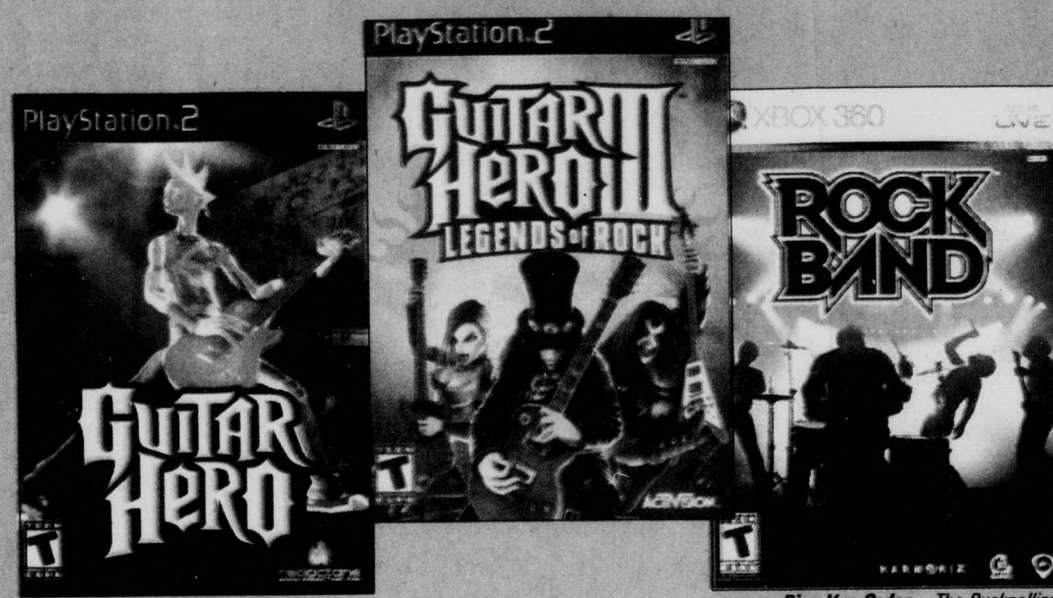
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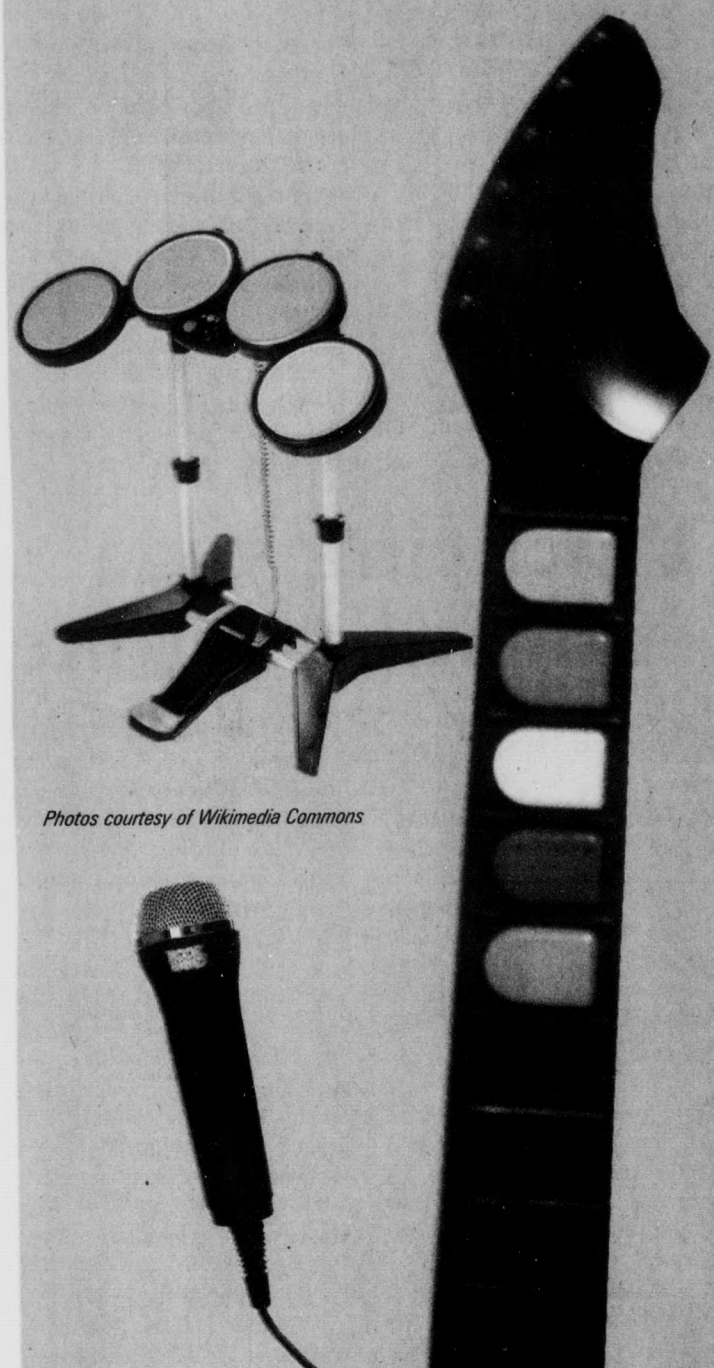
GUITAR HERO



Students compete at Uptown in a "Rock Band" competition. Sponsored by KRAID, Saturday's event drew 32 competitors vying for the \$300 prize pool.



Rina Van Orden—The Bucknellian



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By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

When I saw Guitar Hero on "Gossip Girl," I knew the world of video games had truly changed. The game was featured on the CW show as the central entertainment at a party for cool kids attending the coolest high school on television. When did video games become... cool?

Ever since their inception, video games have harbored a certain stigma. Traditionally, the demographic has been young men, according to Wikipedia, and the types of games available seem suited towards the male population.

"Halo," "Grand Theft Auto" and "Call of Duty" all involve killing masses of people. Sports games, too, are often violent and geared toward the male population.

Although these games have been wildly popular, none have been able to unify the sexes, or enable the star players to seem "cool" to those who are not avid players themselves. That is, until "Guitar Hero" hit the scene.

Using a guitar-shaped controller, the player strums with one hand and presses color-coded notes with the other, keeping in sync with corresponding notes on the screen.

Players can battle against each other or together, with one player on guitar and the other on bass.

Armed with an axe and a repertoire of face-melting songs, "Guitar Hero" turns its players into virtual

rock stars.

"You get to feel like a rock star, which a lot of people don't get to experience," said David Jolivet '10, an avid player. "The music is always in front of you, and there aren't any chords to learn. It's like playing music without all the technical stuff."

The ability to become a rock star without years of practice is a huge draw. The feeling of being cheered on by a crowd of people as you hit every note is exhilarating.

"Everyone likes music, and everyone wants to be a rock star," said Gill Young '08. This sentiment seems to resonate with men and women.

"I've never seen such a girl-friendly game," said Young. "All the girls I know who hate video games love Guitar Hero."

Is "Guitar Hero" the next dating revolution?

"I've played [the game] with girls before. It's a lot of fun, being able to relate with a girl on a video game," said Jolivet.

"For some reason girls don't really associate it with being too geeky, when in reality it's not that much different than a lot of other games."

The company that created "Guitar Hero," Harmonix, recently released the next revolution in music gaming, "Rock Band," released in the winter of last year, looks to create just as much, if not more, of a fan base as "Guitar Hero."

"Rock Band" builds on the guitar aspect of its predecessor, adding

bass, drums and vocals to the mix.

Last weekend, KRAID, the University's gaming club, co-sponsored a "Rock Band" tournament at Uptown. With a first prize of \$200 on the line, eight teams competed, and over 90 people attended the competition.

"It was mostly guys, but two girls participated and there were several more in the audience," Uptown Assistant Manager Lisa Podolsky '10 said.

The winning team was "Facial of the Day," and the second place prize of \$100 went to "Moo-Tang Clan."

Jenna Silvi '08 is a "Rock Band" convert. "It [doesn't] feel anything like playing a regular old video game," she said. "You are not competing against those you play with, but rather encouraging them to do better so that your 'band' gets better ratings. Rock Band has a curious unifying power about it."

If hometown trends are any indication, the current music gaming fever on campus is going to rise.

"It doesn't seem like it has hit campus quite as hard [as everywhere else] yet," said Young. "I know people here who have played it a couple times, and a few who are really good, but everyone I know from home plays it all the time."

Whether you're a die-hard "Guitar Hero" or a "Rock Band" member, you can rest assured that it's officially okay to be a video game junkie. You're one of the cool kids now.



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Bucknell's Got Talent

Participants in this year's event showed off their talents while vying for a \$300 first prize.

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Alumnus wins Oscar for effects

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
Senior Writer

Bill Westenhofer '90 made a splash at the Oscars Sunday night, winning the Academy Award for Achievement in Visual Effects. Westenhofer's work on "The Golden Compass" earned him a nod from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, who awarded him and his team the Oscar ahead of both "Transformers" and "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End."

Westenhofer earned the award along with Michael Fink, Ben Morris and Trevor Wood, a team of visual effects designers from special effects company Rhythm and Hues. The four proudly took the stage to accept the award. Westenhofer was barely able to hold back his joy and surprise as he hoisted the golden statue in the air.

"And to my family, Rhythm and Hues, Sue Rowe out there watching this, thank you," Westenhofer said.

Westenhofer is no stranger to the Academy Awards. In 2006, he was nominated for Achievement

in Visual Effects for his work on "The Chronicles of Narnia," but lost to "King Kong."

Westenhofer has been in the visual effects business since 1994, when he first began working for Rhythm and Hues, a visual effects company. He has acted as visual effects supervisor for "Elf," "The Rundown," "Men in Black II," "Cats & Dogs," both "Stuart Little" films, "Frequency" and "Babe: Pig in the City." He has also done visual effects work for "Batman Forever," "Speed 2" and "Waterworld," among other films.

Westenhofer graduated from the University with a Bachelor of Science in computer science and engineering in 1990. While at the University, he and other members of his engineering class did a project involving ray tracing, a technique used to render realistic computer graphics in 3D scenes with reflections, according to Daniel Hyde, associate professor of computer science.

"I remember Bill as being more mature and heads and shoulders above the other students in his class," Hyde said.

Nomination race still "undecided"

By ALEXANDRA CAMPBELL-FERRARI
Staff Writer

While candidates Hillary Clinton, Mike Huckabee, John McCain and Barack Obama had the week off from primaries, including Pennsylvania, it may be the Democratic Convention that determines the Democratic candidate for president.

The next round of primaries will be on March 4. In Rhode Island, 32 delegates are at stake and in Vermont 23, while in

994 to 239 delegates. However, the Democratic nominee is far from decided. While Obama leads with 1,184 delegates over Clinton's 1,031, the debate is not over. With 10 more primaries, including Pennsylvania, it may be the Democratic Convention that determines the Democratic candidate for president.

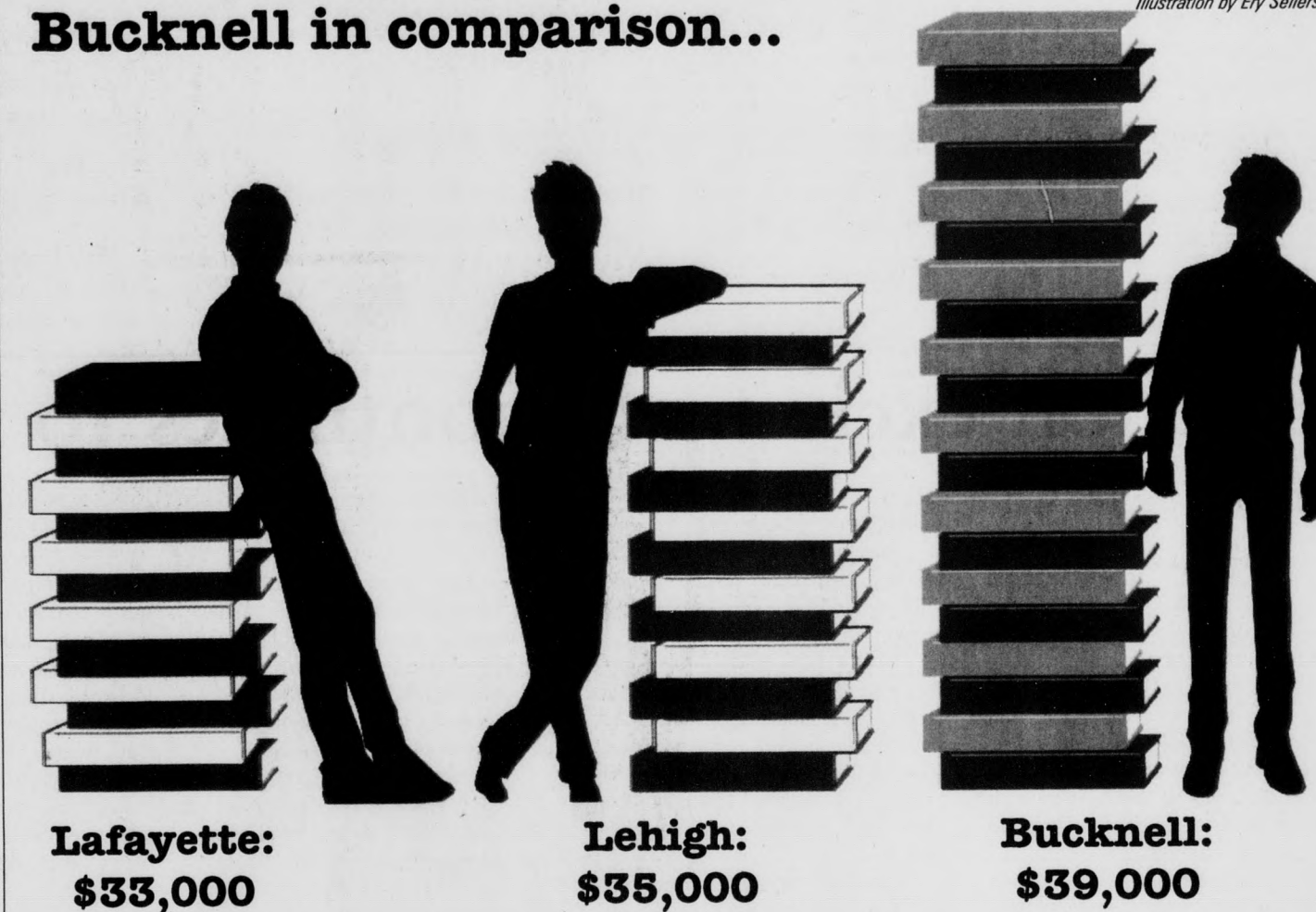
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Tuition increase for 2008

Bucknell in comparison...

Illustration by Ery Sellers



By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

The Board of Trustees has approved a tuition increase of 3.95 percent and a comprehensive fee increase of 4.75 percent.

Tuition for the class of 2009 will be increased to \$37,844, making their comprehensive fee \$46,790. The classes of 2010, 2011 and 2012 will pay \$39,434 for tuition and a comprehensive fee of \$48,380.

The class' difference in tuition remains due to a two-tiered fee strategy developed in the fall semester of 2005 by the Planning and Budgeting committee, said David Surgala, vice president for finance and administration.

"For the 2006-2007 school year, we increased the comprehensive fee 9.35 percent for the entering class and 4.95 percent for the continuing classes knowing that in three years, people would graduate, and everyone

would then be on the same fee," Surgala said.

"Students on the committee said 'we're not going to be here to take advantage of benefits from the tuition increase, so let's start with the new class who would.'"

Fees have continued to increase over the years because the University was generating fewer resources per student than other institutions in its peer group, Surgala said.

Though the University has the highest tuition fee among its peer schools such as Lafayette and Lehigh, it has the seventh highest comprehensive fee in the group of 13 schools.

"We're in the middle of the pack, trying hard to temper increases of the comprehensive fee," Surgala said. "The challenge here involves expenses related to higher education like salaries, health care benefits, building maintenance. Those are going up a little more than what we try to hold tuition and the com-

prehensive fee to."

The increase in tuition is also driven by levels of inflation, Surgala said. The tuition increase may not completely reflect future levels of inflation.

"If inflation continues at its current rate, Bucknell's proposed tuition increase of 3.95 percent for the 2008-09 academic year will, in fact, be below the rate of inflation," said associate professor of economics Michael Moehr.

Because of upward pressures on petroleum, food and other commodities, inflation next year may rise to 6.5 percent, Moehr said.

While other schools are beginning to use endowments to replace loans with grants as tuition increases, Surgala said "it will be a while" before the University is able to do so at a significant level.

"Our endowment level is significantly

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Engineering week about more than recognition

By BETHANY LAVINS
Staff Writer

The week of Feb. 17 marked the 7th annual observance of Engineers Week at the University.

Created in 1951 by the

National Society of Professional Engineers, Engineers Week recognizes the contribution of engineers to society. The event coincides with the Feb. 22 birthday of President George Washington, a land surveyor and engineer,

according to the Engineering Week website, eweek.org.

Engineering Week involves more than 75 professional societies, major corporations and government agencies. Co-chairs for the 2008 event are Samuel J. Palmisano, presi-

dent and CEO of IBM, and Patrick Y. Chang, chairman of the Chinese Institute of Engineers-USA.

The event seeks to raise awareness about engineers and their jobs, as well as encourage those within the

profession to promote their careers.

The event is celebrated nationwide with banquets, contests and a myriad of other events coordinated through Eweek's website.

The University's celebration began Monday with friendly competition between the departments of engineering, beginning with the money war and banner competitions.

Tuesday, the poetry and non-computer generated art contests were followed by engineering competitions in the Dana Engineering quad. Students joined with professors to compete in events such as the Textbook Toss, Math Relay, Sculpture Contest and Cookie Eating Contest.

Lea Wittie, assistant professor of computer science, claimed the event was a great way to get the students out of the classroom.

"It's really just a fun time," she said.

Cara Wang, assistant professor of civil and environmental engineering, agreed.

"I'm so impressed with these students. They are smart and active and hardworking."

This event, she said, gave them a chance to "step outside of Dana Engineering and have fun having interactions between students and faculty."

Video competitions submissions were due Wednesday, and students participated in an Engineering Scavenger Hunt. There was also competition over attendance at the networking event and dinner Friday evening.

The week culminated with the Engineers Week Dinner in Bostwick Marketplace Friday, bringing together professors, alumni and students who made the week a success.

Engineers Amy Loughney '08 and Michael Rakszawski

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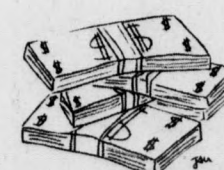
Alexandra Kutner—The Bucknellian

Engineering students at the National Engineering Week networking event and dinner on Friday night. The University has participated in the event for the past seven years.

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The women's track and field team won its seventh consecutive Patriot League title.



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VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Gerhard Fieldhouse Parking Lot: Report filed. ALARM TROUBLE—Vedder Hall: Equipment malfunction. SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY—Kappa Delta Rho Parking Lot: Under investigation.	ASSIST / MOTORIST—Public Safety: Motorist assisted. EMS TRANSPORT—McDonnell Hall: Student transported to hospital. SOLICITING—Kress Hall: Under investigation. Friday, Feb. 22 DRUG VIOLATION—Larison Hall: Unfounded. DRUG VIOLATION—Swartz Hall: Unfounded. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Swartz Hall: Under investigation. ALARM FIRE—Bertrand Library: Caused by cooking. CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Special Interest Parking Lot: Under investigation.	ASSIST / POLICE—Smith Hall: Assisted East Buffalo Township Police Department. ALARM / INTRUSION—West Fields: Cause unknown. ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking. ALARM / INTRUSION—Bertrand Library: Cause unknown. Sunday, Feb. 24 PEDESTRIAN STOP—Dent Drive: Judicial referral. ALARM / MONITOR TROUBLE—Hunt Hall: Detector malfunction. Monday, Feb. 25 DRUG VIOLATION—Swartz Hall: Under investigation. Tuesday, Feb. 26 ALARM / FIRE—Botany Building: Unknown cause. ALARM / INTRUSION—Biology Building: Caused by employee. THEFT—Swartz Hall: Under investigation.	Epsilon Fraternity: Caused by cooking. EMS TRANSPORT—Sixth and St. George Streets: Student transported for treatment. ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking. ALARM / FIRE—Theta Chi Fraternity: Caused by cooking.

President's office offers internship

By MAX FRIEDLANDER
Contributing Writer

The Undergraduate Executive Internship Program (UEIP) is offering various positions in various offices on campus. The program is designed to offer students an opportunity to involve themselves with the Office of the President, the Office of Communications, the Office of Development and Alumni Relations and the Office of External Relations.

Each available position offers the opportunity to interact with individuals and leaders in the University's community like top students, faculty and staff, which is a major incentive to students applying for these positions. The executive interns work with not only the University's top administrators and various members of the Board of Trustees, but also many of its most successful alumni.

"This is a great program to get involved in because it gives you a chance for incredible networking and reference tools for the job search process," said Stephan McElreath '08, who spent the past year participating in the program.

A key goal of the internship is education through experience. Interns are challenged with projects requiring intensive communication with leaders both on and off campus.

"Just the exposure to the information, demonstrations of leadership and work ethic displayed by the administration is enough to have a lasting effect on any student holding this position," said Alison Faux '08, UEIP Student Coordinator.

The program allows interns to play a more influential role on campus. They are given the opportunity to examine the administration's methods of operation and look for ways in which they could be improved upon. Not only are the interns able to help with typical office work, but they also serve as a source of information and a means of communication between the offices and the student body.

Students interested in the Undergraduate Executive Internship Program can attend any of the following information sessions in Walls Lounge of the Langone Center: Tuesday, March 4 at noon, Tuesday, March 18 at noon, Wednesday, March 19 at 5 p.m. and Thursday, March 20 at noon. A full application is available on the Bridge and must be submitted by midnight Monday, March 24 to be considered.

National Engineers Week arrives

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'08 opened the event and presented the awards throughout the evening.

President Brian C. Mitchell recapped the origins of Engineering Week and the impact the engineering department has had on campus. He praised the engineers for their ability to balance engineering with other campus activities and clubs, recognizing their ability to be leaders on campus.

Dean of Engineering James Orbison recognized and commended the engineering students for their contributions to the University, work ethic and professional responsibility. He emphasized their capacity to make the world a better place.

"The future may be yours to shape," he claimed, "but it will need the very best you can give."

Video submissions from all of the colleges were shown through the evening. The chemical engineers, in the style of "Monty Python," went on a quest for the holy graduated cylinder.

Civil engineers created a "Civ-E" Gladiator Challenge, and computer science majors

spoofed off several shows, creating an "Extreme Makeover: Engineering Edition," "Iron Chef Blackbeard," "Dancing with the Stars" and "American Idol."

Winning the video competition, the electrical engineers created engineering theme songs from "Gilligan's Island," "The Brady Bunch" and "Happy Days." The mechanical engineers came in second with "Myth Busters' Bucknell Edition," and third place went to the biomedical engineers who did a spoof on the TV show, "The Office."

The evening wrapped up with a summary of the week's events and the announcement of the week's overall winners. In first, receiving the Golden Hammer, were electrical engineers, followed by chemical engineers in second winning the Silver Screwdriver, and the biomedical engineers in third receiving the Bronze Bolt.

Students, faculty and alumni alike felt the week was a great success. "It promotes a lot of pride in your department," claimed Chris Gerberich '09. "It motivates students to strive to do better at engineering."

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Former professor discusses terrorism

By CARLY WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

The United States needs to reclaim international respect as a beacon of freedom and stop aligning with African dictators who represent the antithesis of that ideal, said a former University professor in a lecture Tuesday night on Tuesday.

Berhanu Nega, a current Visiting International Scholar, spoke in "American Power and the Struggle against Poverty and Terror in Africa" in Trout Auditorium.

Nega reflected on time he spent trying to affect democratic reforms in his home country of Ethiopia, the almost two years he spent imprisoned by the country's ruling party, and ways America can support the democratization of Africa, mainly by dissolving its alliances with African dictators.

The biggest way America can help the efforts for political freedom in Africa is "a stern refusal to go to bed with African dictators," Nega said.

He said morale in the fight for political freedom is affected worldwide by the actions of America.

"People lose hope when the U.S. aligns with a dictator, because the U.S. is supposed to be a global beacon of freedom," he said.

If upholding the doctrine of freedom upon which America was built globally is not enough of a motivating factor, Nega said one of America's main political goals of late, the fight against terrorism, would benefit from the democratization of Africa.

"Terrorists hide where people have lost hope, where people have been disenfranchised," he said.

Nega said the fight against terrorism cannot be used as an excuse for turning a blind eye to

the political and human rights offenses occurring in Africa.

"Fighting terrorism is important, but the problem is the U.S.'s alignment as a part of that fight with governments who terrorize their own people," he said.

Nega was imprisoned after being elected mayor of Addis Ababa, the capital city of Ethiopia. People had turned out in record numbers to vote for Nega's party, the Coalition for Unity and Democracy, despite stifling pressures and manipulations by the corrupt government to vote for the party already in power.

"We had never seen such a commitment and enthusiasm for democracy; 98 percent of registered voters turned out. We hadn't expected the spirit of freedom would so greatly transcend the fear the ruling party had put into the people," he said.

The ruling party overruled the results of that election. After two weeks of rigging, the ruling party claimed they received 70 percent of the vote. During the weeks after the election, Nega was openly followed and harassed by plainclothes workers for the ruling party. Nega and leaders of the opposition party were arrested shortly thereafter and jailed. The United States did little to help them.

"American diplomats saw the election as flawed, but they accepted its results. The U.S. encouraged us to take what we were given, call it progress, and hope for a better election next year," he said.

Much of the beginning of Nega's lecture focused on a meeting he had with U.S. and French ambassadors about five months into his prison sentence. They encouraged him to help stop the instability that had ensued after the corrupt election.

"They wanted me, as mayor, to tell the people to accept the

leader provided by the government. They said we could peacefully cajole the government into changing," he said.

He said the experience was both enraging and eye-opening, making him realize that the West does not take the democratization of Africa seriously.

"I was directly experiencing hypocrisy. I was outraged. I thought that any freedom-loving country would support us," he said.

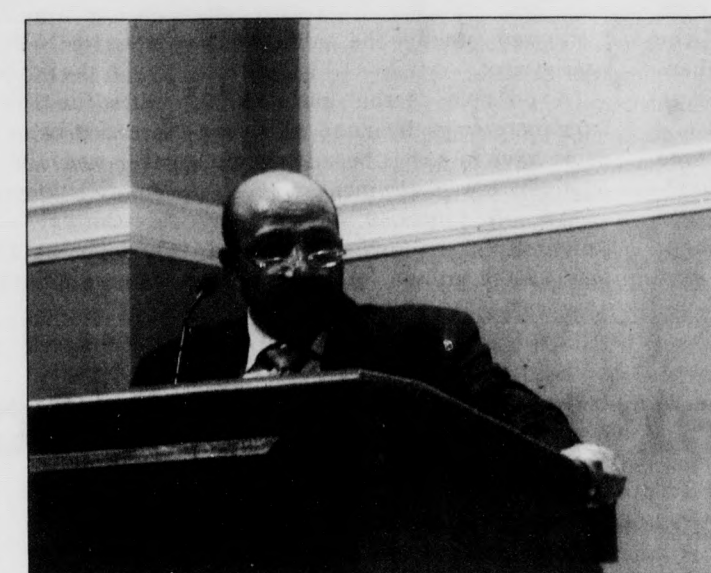
The West was pressuring him to surrender to the government that had imprisoned him. His response was anger.

"I told them that was a shameful position. I said I knew their position did not reflect the decency of the American people," he said.

As he served the rest of his prison sentence he pondered possible Western and American motives for the lack of support shown in a quest for freedom.

"We are just pawns in a game," he said.

Still, the United State's lack of



Alexandra Kuter—The Bucknellian
Berhanu Nega talks about his work in Ethiopia to bring about democratic reform. Before being imprisoned in Ethiopia, Nega was a University economic professor.

Search for associate dean narrows

By SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

Four final candidates for the associate dean position of the College of Arts and Science spoke in individual open forums earlier this month.

Each was asked a prepared question regarding what expertise and leadership they could offer the campus community to promote student success, and answered additional questions from the deans and faculty who attended.

The associate dean reports to the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and is responsible for student academic affairs, primarily those of upperclass, transfer and special students.

Minimum qualifications for the position, according to a job description posted on Blackboard, include a terminal degree in an academic area, teaching experience in liberal arts and advising and administrative experience. A candidate who has "experience with students with disabilities and facility with electronic databases and records" is preferred.

Dwain Pruitt, the first candidate to have an open forum, is the coordinator for general education at Morgan State University and received his Ph.D. from Emory University. Pruitt described to deans and faculty in the open forum three ways he hopes to promote student success. His first method is to teach students how to learn so that their skill sets transfer from one course to another in order to be leaders.

The second strategy he advocated was to use academic advising not only as a way to

decide what classes a student should take but to help them decide what to do with their education.

His third suggestion was to enhance institutional diversity, not only in terms of non-traditional backgrounds, but also through advising and clubs.

"The role of advisers is changing - they need to be more intentional," he said.

Margaret Kastner is currently the interim associate dean for the College of Arts and Sciences at the University and spoke at the second forum. She has been with the University for 23 years and she received her Ph.D. at the University of Notre Dame.

Kastner said in an e-mail she believes she has learned how to work with a wide range of student personality types and major requirements from her various jobs at the University as a professor of chemistry and chair of the department of education.

She compared leadership to migrating birds, saying while at the University, she has "participated in many 'flights' to many destinations," taken the lead at times, and also moved back as others led.

"What I like most about the Associate Dean position is the opportunity to help students find what they are good at and thrive, to provide them with options they never considered, and to watch them develop as they recover from hard times," she said.

Ned Laff, the third to speak at a forum, is the former coordinator for the core curriculum, director for first year seminar and coordinator for special academic projects for the office of the provost at Loyola University Chicago. He received his Ph.D. at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

NEWS BRIEFS

The Counterweight disappears from stands

The University's Department of Public Safety is currently investigating the removal of most copies of the latest issue of The Counterweight. In an e-mail from President Brian C. Mitchell, the act was "apparent theft and harassment," and it undermined the ability of student publications to freely express their views.

Students are encouraged to supply any information to Public Safety via their online tip website. Information may remain anonymous.

Columbian civil war discussed

Janelle Nodturtur '07 will give her talk "A Witness for Peace," about the Colombian Civil War. It will be Monday at 7 p.m. in the Elaine Langone Center Forum. There will be a reception for informal discussion after her presentation. It is free and open to the public.

Nodturtur recently returned from a trip to Colombia where she visited communities directly affected by the ongoing war. She will also discuss the international response, actions from non-governmental organizations and possible legislation from Washington, D.C.

Women's Resource Center to host Girl's Play Fair

With the support of a \$3700 grant from the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Leadership and Training Institute, the University's Women's Resource Center will be hosting a Girl's Play Fair on Saturday. The event will allow local area girls aged nine to 12 to interact with University women majoring in the sciences.

According to a press release, the fair will have five stations focusing on various science careers, including computer science, engineering, biology, mathematics and chemistry. There will be activities for the girls and all stations will be run by students.

Barbara Ehrenreich lecture tickets available March 4

Free tickets for author and columnist Barbara Ehrenreich's March 17 lecture will be available to students, faculty, and staff via online registration beginning at noon on Tuesday, March 4 on a first-come, first-serve basis. Registration will close when all tickets are reserved but will run no later than 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5. Students, faculty, and staff will be able to reserve four tickets and will receive them through campus mail no later than Friday, March 14.

A limited amount will be available for the public and those tickets can be reserved online beginning noon on Tuesday, March 11. Registration will close when all tickets are reserved but will run no later than 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 12. Members of the public are also allowed to reserve up to four tickets. Community tickets must be picked up in person at the Weis Center Box Office on Friday, March 14 between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday, March 17 between 6 and 7 p.m. Members of the public must have government-issued ID card to obtain their tickets. All tickets become null and void at 7:15 p.m. on the date of the event and all attendees must be in reserved seats by that time.

The registration form is located at www.bucknell.edu/ForumTickets.xml.

Tuition increases

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below that of our peer schools... they were earlier to have investments and establish a culture of philanthropy," he said.

Though students can apply for financial aid to help pay for the tuition increase, aid amounts reflecting the increase are not guaranteed, said Andrea Leithner Stauffer, University director of financial aid.

"As far as how the increase will affect financial aid packages for next year, I can tell you that we are not able to promise additional aid to cover the increase," said Stauffer.

"We review financial aid eligibility each year, and we

address financial need as best we can with the funds we have available."

For many international students and others who travel on planes to get to the University, financial aid is crucial especially when tuition increases, Tejal Raichura '09 said.

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Opinions

The Bucknellian EDITORIAL

Make the most out of rising tuition

Inventor Ken Hakuta said, "Lack of money is no obstacle. Lack of an idea is an obstacle."

The University appears to have the opposite problem—plenty of ideas, but a lack of money.

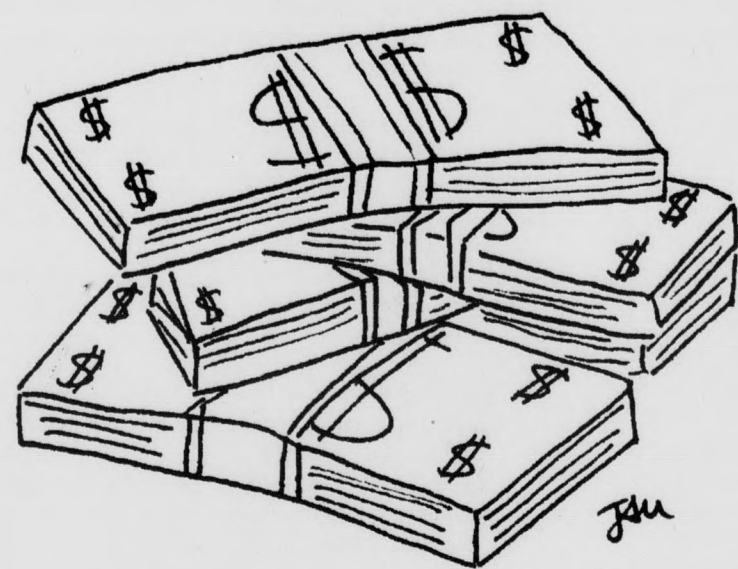
The ideas start and end with The Plan for Bucknell. Present decisions about the University's future funnel around the strategic plan. Without money to completely implement the plan, however, it may not be successful.

A raise in tuition is expected. In fact, this year's comprehensive fee increase of 4.75 percent is the smallest since the 2003-2004 increase of 5.00 percent.

The increase also has a chance to be below the rate of inflation.

There are 12 other colleges and universities that Bucknell considers to be in its admissions peer group, and, within that peer group, the University's 2007-2008 comprehensive fee of \$46,186 ranked seventh among the 13 schools.

However, over the last three years (2005-2006 through 2007-2008), the University's average percentage increase of the comprehensive fee has been 7.15 percent, sec-



ond only to the University of Richmond among the admissions peer group.

A possible reason for such a large increase in the money that students have to pay is because of our relatively low endowment.

As of June 30, 2007, the University's endowment valued only \$59.4 million, in comparison

and the University acknowledges this through class differences in tuition, which will continue to be in place over the next few years to reflect how students will benefit from new undertakings.

A large concern for many is the lack of a guarantee that financial aid packages will reflect the increase in tuition. Sixty percent of the class of 2010 received at least some financial aid.

In order to compete with other institutions of higher learning for the best students, the University will have to offer competitive financial aid packages to accepted students, while being able to retain current students with finances that reflect the rising costs.

In a letter to parents, David J. Surgala, vice president for finance and administration, wrote "The Plan for Bucknell is creating an array of positive improvements as we make the investments necessary to benefit students and fulfill the University's vision."

For the sake of present and future students, let's hope these improvements come to fruition—and match the tuition.

Current students unfortunately will not be able to be a part of a fully implemented strategic plan,

to the University of Richmond's nearly \$1.4 billion.

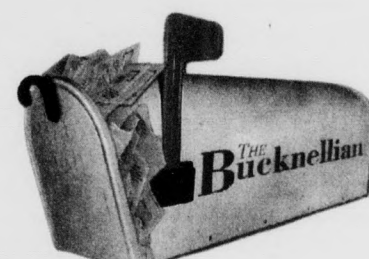
A healthier endowment would allow the University more flexibility when it came to its comprehensive fee, and, in turn, would benefit future students.

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Letter to the Editor



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The Bucknellian has a lot of work to do

To the Editor:

It's not the mark of a great newspaper when their reporters are known to approach their friends saying, "hey, I need a quote for the paper. Say something." It is this mentality that explains articles like the one on the Focus the Nation teach-in from Feb. 15. Near the end of the article, in describing the overall message of the event, the reporter quotes a student as saying, "we all have to deal with climate change, as it will affect all of humanity equally." Unless the article was meant to show how people misinterpret the message of the event, this displays not only a lack of understanding by the writer, but also on the part of the editor.

One of the things the Focus the Nation

event should have taught us was that global climate change is going to have much more serious effects on some people on this Earth, like those living on low-lying islands, that it will on others, like us in the developed world. While we have the technology to get by, albeit uncomfortably, most don't. It will not affect all humans equally; some will pay higher food prices, others will see their homes turned into desert or into ocean. To give credibility to this factual error is a failure in understanding by the reporter, of quality control by the editor, and in the culture of the newspaper as a whole.

Unfortunately, this type of shoddy workmanship cannot be isolated to this article, or even to just the reporting staff. As cited in a letter to the editor by a professor

last semester, one particularly offensive editorial lamented the Seventh Street construction project as unduly inconvenient to the students of Bucknell. This editorial did little more than give credence to often heard Lewisburg complaints that Bucknell students are spoiled whiners who can't see beyond their own comfort. This type of ill-conceived carelessness is not becoming of the Bucknellian, and gives a poor face to Bucknell University.

As Bucknell's primary media outlet, shouldn't we demand a greater level of professionalism from its content? Or should we be content to hide behind the veil that we're just a collegiate publication, and standards aren't something we need to consistently aspire to? While I am not knowledgeable

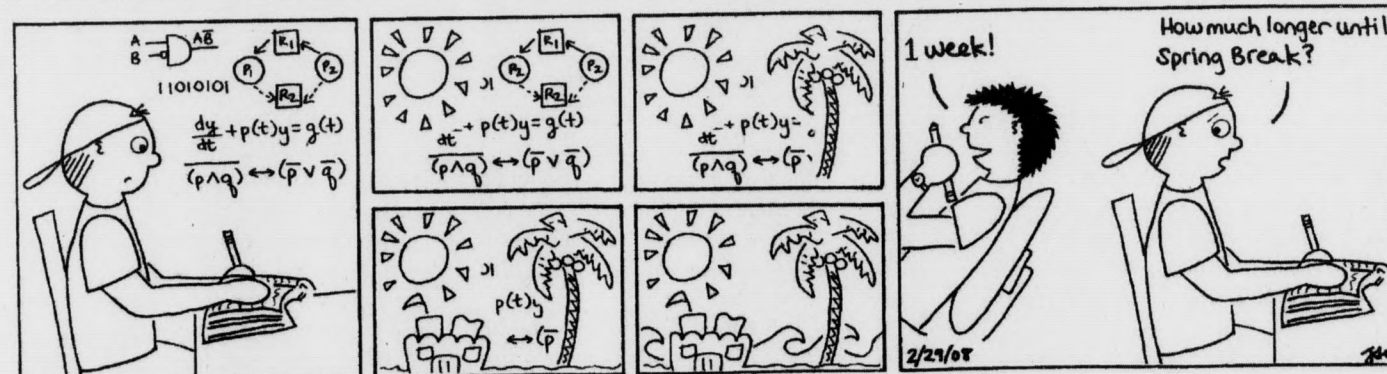
enough of newspaper practices to offer concrete solutions for these problems, I can quote Aristotle as saying, "It does not take a carpenter to notice bad carpentry." People notice when this newspaper does a bad job, its failures are our failures, but herein lies the potential. A great campus publication will shine for us all. The majority of the time, the Bucknellian does great work, but let's not get lazy, we still have a lot of work to do.

Sincerely,
Carl Bein, '08

Editor's Note: Thank you for your letter. We appreciate you taking the time to write and express your concerns and will take them under advisement.

Currently Untitled

By Juliana Su



What's in a name: romanticism destroyed by PhyloCode

By NOOR WHITE
Contributing Writer

In class a couple of weeks ago, my biology professor mentioned an ongoing debate in the scientific community about a system I had never heard of - PhyloCode. The PhyloCode is an organismal naming system developed in 1998 that seeks to replace the current system practiced since Carl Linnaeus introduced it in 1758. The current system identifies organisms in a hierarchical framework based on taxonomic classifications (kingdom, phylum, class, order, family, genus) derived from physical characteristics.

Under the current Linnaean system, the name for each organism consists of a genus and a species name. PhyloCode would assign titles to organisms based on evolutionary relationships, resulting in a specific name including only the previously defined genus (the rest of the hierarchy would be dropped) and a yet-to-be-designated number. An article to do the issue justice would take up many pages; instead I want to address only a minor aspect of the issue, the notion of assigning each species a number.

It was this idea that stuck with me most after the previously mentioned lecture and ignited a small cry of "nooo!" from somewhere deep within. Carl Linnaeus took on an enormous task when he decided to orga-

nize all of the known species, and in his pre-Darwin world, he managed to construct a protocol that would remain accurate even after the revolution caused by On the Origin of Species in 1859. The Linnaean naming system (derived directly from Latin) has created names for species that are not only logical and precise in origin, but tricky and awkward in pronunciation. They have stood the test of time and served as a measure of character and determination for biology students everywhere. They have been the butts of many a joke because of their humorous syllables and tongue-twisting expanse of consecutive consonants. But most of all, they have brought some much-needed frivolity to the study of biology.

No one who has ever read a scientific paper would tell you it needed more numbers. Numbers are cold, impersonal and pointy. The Latin names given by the Linnaean system are effective, yet flowery and fun. They are the sort of thing that no one ever thinks about, but that subconsciously make you smile - it could even be said that they are a vital part of making what is sometimes monotonous research bearable.

Who could discipline themselves enough to count tens of tiny "Drosophila" #467820356's in a study that once involved "Drosophila melanogaster" (the fruit fly), the last 'r' of which easily lends itself to a

Antonio Banderas-esque tongue roll and accompanying suggestive wink? Where would studies of genetics be today without "Mus musculus" - the house mouse? Of course the mouse would still exist, and perhaps also the studies, but who could rightfully stand before a crowd of people and give a discussion on the last 28 years spent observing "Mus" #197825634 without feeling some happy part of their die? ("Mus musculus" is one of my particular favorites as proper pronunciation demands that the speaker purse their lips into the unmistakable baby-tuck position my roommate uses when involved in deep discussions with her stuffed sheep, Lambie.)

And what of "Escherichia coli" - (the shortening of which into "E. coli" is really a shame)? Never has bacteria sounded so pretty. While numerous examples remain, I will only state one more which I believe sums up arguments stated previously - the microscopic roundworm, "Caenorhabditis elegans." Lovely. What I am alluding to here is the possibility of a complete dissolution of one of the most grandiose aspects of biology - a naming system that has retained its tradition in one of the most progressive fields around. The very persistence it displays is admirable.

But, if 'for the sake of romanticism' doesn't lead your heart into a fiery passion, perhaps you don't understand the impor-

tance of a name. I won't quote any Shakespeare here, but I will make reference to the poems of Eavan Boland, where putting a name to any entity represents its preservation in memory and history. Anything important, anything unimportant, anything that in a broader sense exists should be named or risk the future contestation of its ever having existed. Dale Carnegie once wrote, "Remember that a person's name is to that person the sweetest and most important sound in any language." I think we can all relate to the wisdom of that passage. The idea of replacing such a valuable distinction with a number is insulting, and I'm sure if Mus musculus could do so, it would raise a tiny paw in protest.

If this article hasn't managed to ignite your love of the elegant Linnaean naming system, or you still don't believe in the preservation of the old Latin names, maybe you can relate when I express that my passion here also comes from a deeper source: my will for this aspect of history to remain unchanged. For it to be frozen in time as it is and not rendered outdated or old-fashioned. For time to slow to still and remain, just this once. The way I see it, this is a rare chance to choose the old over the new, the experienced over the immature, constancy over change - without the risk of impeding progress. I say we take it.

A convenient cause: selective social responsibility

By JACKIE BODNAR
Contributing Writer

Growth and change are the products of determined and proactive citizens. In the past 100 years of American history, any generation worth looking back on is defined by an event, a zeitgeist or a vision that has rattled their cages enough to rally together and demand change. The fundamental beliefs of national pride and self sacrifice during the 1940s earned its cohort the nickname, "The Greatest Generation." A vision of racial equality that surfaced in the 1950s inspired citizens to demand change in the American social system. Focus shifted in the 1960s as Americans young and old passionately protested the war in Vietnam. In sharp contrast, our own generation seemed to be more concerned about the final contestants on American Idol than the final candidates for the upcoming Presidential election. That is, until recently.

Thanks to the news provided by our trusted friends at "The Daily Show" and the New York Times, we have stumbled upon a most frightening discovery: Humans are destroying the world, and the only way to save it is to "live green, and buy local." The fears of rising sea levels, agricultural decline, and brutal floods and droughts currently have Americans peeking over their walls of apathy and demanding lifestyle changes that would preserve the Earth. And as if the fear of losing California wasn't enough motivation to rally behind a cause, the Live Earth concerts looked super cool too...

Putting aside questions of whether or not global warming is actually a man-made phenomenon, the major flaw in the Green campaign becomes the inconsistency of those claiming to partici-

pate. The real inconvenient truth is that conserving resources to minimize a "carbon footprint" requires a change in lifestyle that cannot be flipped on and off like a light switch. While a dedicated few live by their word, the majority of today's self-proclaimed environmentalists pick and choose the aspects of environmental responsibility that most conveniently fit their current routine while allowing them to feel like an activist. It is no coincidence that the principles du jour are the ones requiring the least amount of reform but yield the most amount of recognition.

The craving to be revered as a member of the Green team without leaving one's personal realm of comfort explains why many argue the crisis can be resolved through music, talk show host tangents and Save Our Children's Earth bumper stickers (which ironically are found on the back of those fossil fuel-burning monsters formerly known as cars). There is no doubt that if words spoke louder than actions, our generation's Green campaign would be one of the most powerful movements in all of American history.

However, the inconvenient truth is that talk is cheap. And rather than putting in the efforts to make thought into reality, many have settled for the path of shameless hypocrisy. This is demonstrated best by entertainment celebrities, whose general mantra is, do as I say, but not as I do. Madonna for example, a pop music icon and a proud voice of the Green campaign, expends about 1,000 carbon tons a year. This compared to the average American who expends about 20 carbon tons annually, and the average Briton who expends about 10 carbon tons annually. Al Gore, a global warming guru and inventor of the internet, owns a mansion in Tennessee

that has been reported using up to 20 times more energy than the average American home.

Our pal Al is also responsible for the series of Live Earth concerts, widely anticipated to change the world through the power of music. And for those who believe in man-made global warming, it certainly did. Between the audience travel, volunteer travel, artist and entourage travel, broadcasting and additional aspects of the concert ranging from refreshments to stage lighting and amplification, the calculated total emission was approximately 19,708 carbon tons, according to the Live Earth Carbon Footprint Assessment. The average American produces just 20 carbon tons in one year.

But have no fear! Live Earth purchased plenty of carbon offsets (also known as greenhouse gas credits) to neutralize its footprint. These are the get-out-of-jail-free passes awarded to energy followers under the agreement they will redeem themselves through actions that will have a positive effect on the environment, such as installing solar panels, energy efficient light bulbs or trees in third world countries. Much like the indulgences granted by the Catholic Church to pardon sins of the wealthy and elite, these credits are nothing but conscience-clearing delusions that allow people leaving "carbon footprints" the size of Texas to sleep at night. One cannot help but wonder, what consequences would arise if every aspect of our society worked this way?

Sadly our own campus is not exempt from this hypocrisy. A microscopic number of students (if any) make the effort to hang-dry their clothes every week or take the Wal-Mart shuttle bus rather than separate cars. While bottled water is one of the top targets on the Green campaign's hit list, fea-

ture speakers at the recent global warming teach-in were spotted refilling their glasses with "the enemy." As for the large number of Natty Light fans out there, how many know that the total number of direct emissions of greenhouse gases for Anheuser-Busch in 2006 alone equaled 1.43 million metric tons in CO2 equivalents? Add the indirect emissions to the mix, and the annual total becomes 1.60 million metric tons!

Although hypocrisy in Hollywood is present on a daily basis, the latest fad of global whining has somehow distinguished itself from the rest, and as a result our media-addicted generation follows their lead like rats following the Pied Piper. Those regurgitating the words of the celebrity whiners are deemed progressive and hip, while those still waiting for tangible evidence of man-made global warming are considered ignorant and outdated. Luckily for the lazy, this climate clique is easy to join. No actual lifestyle adjustments required, just rhetoric.

Personally, I drive my own car to Wal-Mart, drink bottled water, and use the clothes dryer machine in the laundry room. There is nothing immoral about people like me who choose to expend energy, unless they are simultaneously chastising others for doing the same.

To the few people out there wearing hemp underwear and growing your own food, I salute you. Not because you are "living green," but because you have found your passion and made a 100% commitment to it—which is more than can be said for the counterfeit campus activists that join the "How Green Are You?" facebook group one minute and print out PowerPoint's one slide per page in the library the next. Clearly, they have a long way to go.

"No excuses:" motto for athletes and administration

By LINDSEY WELLER
Contributing Writer

For many, it is hard to believe that sports are anything more than an after school activity, or simply something fun people do to fill up their free time. But there is more to being an athlete than meets the eye. I am not denying that for some sports might be only those things, but for me and many others, athletics are so much more. I want to shed the stereotypes at least a little, and really inspire those who have the ability to impact the athletic experience of others to take their job seriously. They should do everything in their power to ensure that the athletes under their direction finish their careers, however long they may be, without regrets.

I was a serious and dedicated athlete for eight years; my sport of choice: field hockey. I fell in love with the sport after randomly deciding to participate in a clinic in spring 2000 when I was just a small eighth grader. From then on it became a passion for me. Before field hockey, school was really the only other activity that I truly cared about; my grades were what got the vast majority of my attention and effort.

That all changed, with athletics quickly matching my grades in level of importance, effort and interest. I had found something besides school that I was really good at and loved, which was very exciting and refreshing for me. I played all through high school and had a great deal of success under an excellent coach who is still one of the biggest influences in my life; without her I would not be who or

where I am today and I certainly wouldn't be the same scrappy, hard-working field hockey player. When my high school career was over, I was left with some sadness (we lost my senior year in the state finals, in overtime) and some lingering "what if's," but no regrets. I felt lucky, adequately rewarded for my efforts, and ready to move on. Next came college career is over, I can't help but look back and reflect on how it has shaped me—how it will continue to shape me in the future. Naturally, what I currently think of most is my last four years as a member of the field hockey program here at the University. Unfortunately when I reflect on my athletic experience here I am filled with disappointment. I dedicated my time, heart and soul for four years and have little to show for it. Each year held out hope that "this season would be different," but I was always proven wrong. I found myself being vicariously through my friends on the men's and women's soccer teams, who over the past four years experienced the success I so longed for (and still do) myself. The environment proved to be entirely different from high school, with hard work, passion, dedication, and adaptation taking a backseat to politics, egos, grudges, and stubborn, selfish attitudes. I am left with a bitter taste in my mouth and an ache in my heart that have yet to go away.

Although my athletic experience at the University was far from entirely satisfying, I am still glad and proud that I played division one collegiate field hockey. If nothing else, I gained friends I know I

will have for the rest of my life, an appreciation for resiliency and perseverance, strength I otherwise wouldn't have and an appreciation for the rarity of a truly great coach. Under the circumstances, my season ended as well as it could have; I scored the last goal of the season in the last game of my career. Yes this was exciting, but it was only a consolation prize for what my fellow seniors and I deserved. While I am grateful that I was able to play in college at all, I will always wonder how successful I could have been under different circumstances.

I hope my younger teammates and those that join the program in years to come leave feeling full and satisfied. But that is not entirely up to them; yes it is always the athlete's responsibility to play as hard as they can and "leave everything out on the field or court," but sometimes, that is not enough. Ultimately the coach still makes the calls and the athletic department still hires the coach.

I am placing my faith in the University athletic department to make sure the experience of future field hockey players is infinitely better and more satisfying than mine. I am asking them to remember that once an athlete has reached the college level playing their sport is not only a physical experience, but something that touches their heart and leaves an imprint there forever. It is definitely in part the athletic department's responsibility to make sure that imprint is a positive one.

Ultimately, no truly dedicated athlete wants to finish their career with regrets, and when they do, those regrets are not easily forgotten.

Ida B. Wells: crusader for justice

Editors Note: This article is last in a series of five articles we are running in honor of Black History Month. Each week in February, a University professor featured a prominent black scholar who contributed to his or her field.

By LESLIE C. PATRICK
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Last Sunday I attended the Seventh Street House Black History Alive presentation, which ended on the third floor with a display of symbols of racial hatred: epithets, nooses and the confederate flag. While certain administrators might find such displays distasteful and inappropriate, these symbols designed to intimidate black people are precisely what make this an appropriate moment to remember Ida B. Wells. Wells was an uncompromising critic of the well-toward black people in America and an activist whose contributions to our understanding that for many African-Americans the glass remains half-empty. Ida B. Wells was the fiercest anti-lynching campaigner at the height of the lynching frenzy.

Ida B. Wells was born in 1862 at Holly Springs, Miss., the eldest of seven children. In 1878 her parents died from yellow fever and, not wanting the family separated, she became the surrogate parent for her siblings at the tender age of 16. She juggled care for

her siblings while pursuing an education, only to be dismissed from Rust College (now Shaw University) after a confrontation with the college president in 1880 or 1881.

Some relief from these responsibilities arrived when Wells' aunt invited her to Memphis. She taught at a school out of town and traveled to and from her job by train. Public transportation in 1883 was segregated; Wells knew this when she purchased a ticket for the first-class "ladies" car and boarded it. When approached by a conductor who demanded that she move to a second-class car, she ignored him. The conductor then grabbed her arm in an effort to remove her, but in response she sank her teeth into him! At the next stop she left the train, but did not let the matter drop. She sued the company, but the courts ultimately upheld the "separate but equal" doctrine that governed segregated life in the post-Reconstruction era. Not the first to do so, but well before Homer Plessy, Ida B. Wells challenged "separate but equal."

Wells did not enjoy teaching, although she learned from the political turmoil that surrounded the profession. That knowledge and experience from her previous encounter with the railroad proved valuable when circa 1884 she began writing for "Living Way," a Memphis black newspaper. A sharp critic of hypocrisy and hypocrisy, Wells quickly gained respect

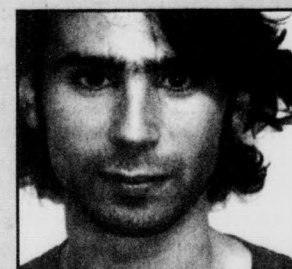
among her peers. Known as the "Princess of the Press" among the Memphis black elite in 1889, she had accepted the myths about why lynching occurred until one of her friends, Thomas Moss was lynched in 1892. Moss, an African-American, was one of the owners of a new grocery store that competed with the only other in the area, which was owned by a white man. For this economic competition, Moss, Calvin McDowell and Will Stewart lost their lives to a lynch mob. Thus launched was the investigative journalism for which Ida B. Wells became renowned. She used "The Free Press," another Memphis black newspaper, to doggedly challenge white newspapers' misrepresentation of this incident and many others.

Ida B. Wells used her formidable skills as a journalist to expose the lies about lynching, which reached epidemic proportions after Reconstruction ended. Rape was the excuse; economics and politics were the reality. Slavery was supposed to have kept black people in a subservient position. Freedom purportedly unleashed black men's "bestial" desire for white women. Lynching, therefore, "deterred" future rapes of white women, who needed protection. Wells was as rigorous as any scholar in exposing the myth of the black rapist in numerous ways, ranging from hinting at consensual sexual liaisons between white women and black men, to challenging miscegenation laws, to exposing white women's lies about having

My Favorite Mistake

Passionless powerpoints

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
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It's been a pretty hectic semester - so hectic, in fact, that I barely got a column out this week (and utterly failed on that front last week, as devoted readers may have noticed).

To be more specific, it's not so much the semester that has been hectic but the past couple of weeks. The middle of the semester rapidly approaches, which means a lot of tests and projects. In particular, I've had to do two back-to-back presentations for my Capstone course, a course about technology ethics.

This course has about 10 students and is conducted in the style of a seminar, so generally the class is heavy on talking and light on lecturing. I enjoy this format because, as a computer science student, most of my courses are lectures. I do enjoy talking, though, so I like the occasional seminar. Lectures often progress ponderously, but seminars seem to fly by in minutes.

Most of the course is built around student presentations in which a group of students leads the class discussion. My group's turn to present was last week. Since we have to cover two days, it's especially important to generate a lot of discussion, rather than just throw a bunch of facts out to the audience.

So naturally, we made a PowerPoint presentation.

Makes sense, right? PowerPoint is obviously the best medium for communicating ideas. Corporations all across the world use PowerPoint. Even former Secretary of State used a PowerPoint presentation to convince the United Nations to attack Iraq a few years ago! It didn't work, of course, but that's neither here nor there, and certainly not the fault of PowerPoint.

Turns out that what seemed like a great idea was a big mistake. PowerPoint might not be the best medium for communicating ideas, after all.

Sometimes I'm afraid I'm the only person on the face of the earth who hates PowerPoint. I loathe it with a passion.

Unfortunately, loathing is the only passionate response that PowerPoint presentations can evoke. They inspire no other emotion whatsoever. I recall watching old news clips in which outspoken individuals got fired up about all manner of things in the absence of PowerPoint. When I think of fiery speeches, I often think of Nikita Khrushchev, standing before the assembled nations of

Never mind the fact that such presentations aid and abet in distracting students. Sure, a nice slide of bullet points looks nice. But when you condense your talk into a set of bullet points, you are implying that only the bullet points are important - everything else you are saying is just filler and can be safely ignored.

PowerPoint also imposes a fixed, concrete amount of material on the presenter. Whenever you create such a presentation, you have to strike a balance between having too few slides and ending your talk early, or having too many and having to rush through some of the material. And you'd better hope you don't get any questions or get side-tracked by discussion because then your carefully-timed presentation may be way, way off.

I'm not denouncing PowerPoint in the same way that Khrushchev denounced Western capitalism. PowerPoint is perfectly serviceable for some kinds of talks and is definitely useful for visual material like photographs, charts, diagrams and videos.

But unless your flow of information is strictly one-way, consider throwing down the crutch of PowerPoint and reverting back to old-fashioned speaking. It worked for thousands of years and we don't need to change our ways just because our tuition dollars paid for fancy projectors in every classroom.</

The importance of HIV awareness

By CATILIN DOOLIN
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From the outside, Shawn and Gwenn's relationship looks as simple as can be: a happy, loving couple whose biggest fight revolves around Shawn forgetting to take out the trash again. You would never guess their relationship has layers to it that few of us will ever understand first-hand. Shawn is infected with HIV, Gwenn is not. And their 10-year relationship is something many people can only be in awe of.

Shawn and Gwenn Decker spoke in the Weis center in "A Boy, A Girl, A Virus and the Relationship That Happened Anyway" last Tuesday night. STIs and STDs are terms we have all heard before, and we all know the general swing of them. Or so we think. It is hardly something we ever associate with being part of as a relationship. I personally have never thought about what I would do if I fell for a guy with an STD. I have never even had it on my radar as something I needed to ask or talk to a new boyfriend about. I guess I always assumed it would be something they would tell me upfront and openly. How couldn't they? Especially in the open, accepting and well-informed society we live in. No one would ever associate some-

one who had an STD with sexual irresponsibility in our free thinking world. It would be as frank as admitting your favorite color is blue. If you're following my sarcasm, I think you get my point.

Shawn made an interesting point that all of us have met someone with HIV or another STD but most of us don't know it. It is not something talked about openly, ever. We all assume it will never happen to us. Statistics, however, have something else to say. More than 33,000 Americans get an STD everyday. Over one million Americans are living with HIV/AIDS and roughly 25 percent of them are unaware of their infection.

According to the Center for Disease Control, 40,000 new HIV infections occur every year. Still wondering what this has to do with you? Half of all new infections in the United States occur in people 25 years of age or younger, and 75 percent of the new infections in women were heterosexual. Difficult to believe that all the heterosexual, Americans 25-year-olds and younger running around our campus are evading these

gross numbers. HIV/AIDS and STDs have become something people fear, which has created an atmosphere making it difficult to talk about the disease. Shawn and Gwenn, however defy this atmosphere and talk about their relationship with HIV and sexual responsibility frankly and with a bit of humor.

Shawn recalled when he was first diagnosed with HIV at the age of 11 some of the adversity he faced against an uninformed society. He had missed a lot of school from being ill, and after the elementary school he was attending found out it was a result of his HIV diagnosis, he was kicked out for the remainder of the year. After a long protest, he was able to re-enter for his seventh grade year.

Upon entering his first day of junior high, fliers were passed around to all the students alerting them a student with HIV was attending the school and giving information about the link between hemophilia and HIV/AIDS. Shawn was the only kid in his class with hemophilia and HIV. It took years for Shawn to

still be faced with the task to reconcile Serbia with an independent Kosovo.

In addition to those diplomatic reasons that speak against Kosovo's independence at this moment, Kosovo is also by no means ready to be its own state. It requires the support of U.N. troops and police forces to secure its borders against Serbia and is still heavily dependent on support from international organizations in order to stabilize its war-ridden economy. It also faces the challenge of maintaining peace and stability within its borders. There is a considerable Serb minority in the Northern parts of Kosovo which will not quietly accept its independence. So while the new state will struggle for international influence, it also has to address internal issues.

I understand that Kosovo is eager to gain independence however, now is not the time for it. The declaration of independence does not only affect Serbia and Kosovo. An independent Kosovo not only threatens stability in the immediate surrounding region, but also threatens European unity (Spain for example is strongly opposed to current developments out of fear that they are an example for its Basque population). Furthermore it strains relations between major actors such as the United States, E.U. members and Russia. The United States and most of the E.U. members have failed to handle the situation well. Good things take a while, and so the rushed and sudden declaration of its independence (as well as the rushed recognition by other states) will do neither Kosovo nor the international community any good at this point in time.

Human rights on campus

By SOOHYUN ALEXANDER LEE
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At any given location on campus, an individual can decide to joke around about type-casted racial stereotypes, thinking that no one of that ethnicity is present. The situation can easily swerve out of control if, say, one such a person turns the corner and decides to confront the joking individual instead of brushing it aside.

Who is the enemy in this situation? Who comes out of the situation in a better light? The field of human rights isn't about some lofty idealism that seeks to ensure the dignity of all people. No, it's beyond that—human rights is in regards to the everyday morality of human societies. Human rights extend from how individuals are treated in public transportation systems to how others are continually shafted as a result of vicious class stratification. Human rights can deal with blue and gray collared employees being mistreated by those they are paid to assist, or conversely, how employees may mistreat customers.

Our interactions are more sensitive, politically charged, and temperamental, oftentimes exempt from these conditions only in the cases of aged friendships. Societal norms aren't so easy to adhere to anymore, so to dismiss something into the recesses of history, depoliticizing the topic so it's open for frivolous joking, even if it's done with the most innocuous intentions, can possibly lead to emotional, even physical, injury.

Being politically insensitive provides the seams along which rifts form in society. These rifts rip and tear away at the surface of an apparently peaceful society to reveal the large amounts of volatile material that lies underneath—a "Balkan Powder keg," or whatever else.

For instance there's a difference between forgetting the internment of Japanese residents by those who've only read about this event and those whose families may have been ruined by it. In fact forgetting, for the latter scenario, only widens the seams, stretching its surface for an even more explosive reaction to occur.

Advocating human rights isn't about forgetting in order to pave a way to forgive but in confronting the reality of the situation of race, discrimination and so forth. Advocating human rights is about understanding not only how something affects

an individual belonging to a single race but also how it affects every individual, regardless of race.

Before tackling the big issues, like Darfur, and choosing to rally and protest against these atrocities—though, of course, petitioning and protesting are indeed helpful and good—the biggest change must occur inwardly. The truth of this reality must be recognized: The ground on which we tread in our everyday is an extraordinarily fragile one. This fragility is troubling because these everyday grounds are where we hold idle conversations in the gym or stand in line to purchase a cup of coffee. These delicate groups are energized with historic strife, political engagement and a sensitivity that can be offset by the simplest, most innocuous mistake or comment, such as a racial slur in passing. Most of this political sensitivity is passed down to us by our parents and the past generations, but it's also crucial to remember that there are those who've actually encountered discrimination personally. Instead of simply accepting stereotypes that may have been passed down from generations of the past, it should be a duty, in this day and age, to deconstruct and shed them from a society that should facilitate the personality of every culture.

The difficulty of this task shouldn't faze us, and human rights should never be relinquished as a lost cause. This is for two reasons. First off, people do change. It shouldn't be the case that the status quo must be accepted as something crystallized beyond remodeling. Secondly, anyone can subscribe to the advocacy of human rights. All that it requires is the intention to care. The ideal lies in individual endeavor.

There is no meaningless or inconsequential contribution to this humanist campaign. Believing in human rights is something that has occurred since the beginning of recorded time, as it is, essentially, the belief that humans can live together harmoniously and for the betterment of all without preference or exclusion.

When evaluating human rights, reassessing it in a way, one may keep in mind these political sensitivities, understanding that there is a history of violence and conflict in this society. We live in the legacy of those conflicts, and whether we choose to recognize that can make all the difference in the endeavor of human rights.

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thing with substance usually does. If the words stop, you are left to admire and feel the body heat next to you. There tends to be nothing awkward about this kind of silence.

Stars set the mood. They are nature's candles, and there is something romantic about lying down or walking under stars with your girlfriend, boyfriend or hopeful. Don't make it your entire date, but if you are walking home finish the night off by pointing them out. Unless there are clouds or nearby synthetic lights, stars are always there, just in a different direction than we are used to looking. I think it's an attractive trait to be the person who "looks in a different direction," and if you are sincere, looking at the stars is devoid of the cheesiness of its romantic counterparts. Box of chocolates vs. stary night. I'm going with the latter.

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Good things take a while, like Kosovo

By PENNA WACHTER
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There is a German saying: "Gut Ding will Weile haben." "Good things take a while." This little piece of wisdom could have come in handy for Kosovo, which declared its independence from Serbia on Feb. 17.

Although the international community has anticipated a move towards Kosovo's independence for a while, the recent drastic move of the government in Pristina, might turn out to cause a serious setback in any progress towards stability that has been made in the region.

After NATO ended its bombing campaign in Kosovo in 1999, U.N. and E.U. advisors were sent to prepare the area for a possible independence at some point in the future. However, the United Nations had deliberately left its fate open and there was no set due date when independence would be declared.

During the past months, Kosovo repeatedly announced its soon-to-come independence from Serbia. This opinion was heavily supported by the United States as well as several members of the European Union. Their open support soon turned out to be a bad move. For one, it alienated the Serbian government and large parts of its population. Additionally it caused Russia to declare that the strong support for the province's independence was evidence of Western Paternalism. Events over the last days prove that quite a few Serbs share that Russian sentiment: some demonstrators resorted to violence and stormed several embassies. Thursday, hundreds of protesters clashed with

U.N. police forces who were trying to maintain order. An incident such as this should send a signal to those countries which rushed to recognize the independence of Kosovo. Many Serbs have gained the impression that the West is clearly favoring Kosovo and does not care about Serbia's interests. That leads to diminishing credibility of Western powers in the region. Ultimately this makes it harder for the U.S. and E.U. members to influence decisions and actions.

The European Union is currently considering offering Serbia entrance into the Union at a quicker pace than previously expected. By doing so it is hoping to smooth over the tensions that arose. However, that is clearly not the right way to go. The demonstrators' actions as well as harsh words against the European Union on the side of the Serb government suggest that at the moment, Serbia might not be all that interested in joining the Union. After all, why would you want to join a group that gives you the feeling of being left out on decisions that affect you?

Offering membership to the European Union simply as a way to make up for diplomatic mistakes is highly problematic. Membership to the European Union is a privilege and a country should earn it. Doing so would make a bad impression on other countries that are currently competing for membership and might be passed over. Or they might expect the same offer in the future if they are offended by E.U. actions. An offer like that therefore breeds a lot of potential for future conflict. Considering this, the European Union might abstain from following this plan, but will

100 nights is a fallacy Let the stars guide you to peace

By ROBIN STEVENSON
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There are a lot of things on the mind of this second semester senior: finding a job, working on my honors thesis, and trying to get as much time in with the Bucknellians I love before I graduate, just to name a few. As I stare down the unknown road of life after college, I can't help but count the days. Luckily, the University has found a way to help me, at least with this last task.

If you, too, are a part of the proud Class of 2008, you recently received an invitation to the (long awaited) 100 Nights Celebration in your mailbox. For those readers not familiar with 100 Nights, the concept behind the idea is to honor the senior class, remind them their time at the University is only 100 days from over, and bring them all into the same space to simplify the task of asking them to donate to the senior gift drive. In the past, the event has featured chocolate fountains, ice sculptures and a champagne toast with the president, all in reminder we won't be here much longer. The event is only three years old, but each year it gets better and better. Honestly, I've been waiting for this night for a while. Any time the University gives me three free drinks and a t-shirt, I'm going to try to be there.

Unfortunately, I cannot make it to my own 100 Nights ceremony because I already made plans for that weekend. Sad, I know, but true. Despite being a sucker for tra-

ditions (even new ones), I am not utterly disappointed. I know a secret: 100 nights has come and gone.

Not long after the date of the event was announced, I pulled out my trusty calendar. For those of us who are counting, for good or for ill, Feb. 29 is only 79 days from the sky and see something beautiful. Maybe there will be a meteor shower before that, but for the most part, we will all be looking ahead instead of up. Look up. You don't have to wait three years to see a phenomenon in the sky.

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Paperback Private Eye

Senior writer Julia Fuchs selects books for quality fiction to review.

Scent-crazed killer

German novel describes the life and deeds of a Parisian with a dangerous sense of smell

When a man kills 25 beautiful young girls and then comes up with a way to entrance the whole world and keep them from sentencing him, a closer look at his life is in order. "Das Parfum," the German horror novel by Patrick Süskind, explores the life of a murderer, but the author lets the audience come to its own conclusions about the murderer's decisions.

The scene is 18th century Paris. Born literally into a pile of fish gunk by a mother who immediately tried to kill him, it was not an easy start in life for Jean-Baptiste Grenouille, the novel's "protagonist" of sorts. He was moved from nurse to nurse all his childhood, considered "possessed by the devil" by one, and survived numerous assassination attempts. His reason for being shunned by everyone is explained to the reader early on: He mysteriously does not have a personal scent. This fact remains undiscovered by Grenouille for much of the story. Though he wants to be accepted by society, he turns society's hatred for him against others and declares his unrelenting hatred upon all humans.

Ironically, though Grenouille is missing any hint of body odor, he is born with a miraculously perfect sense of smell with which he can discern and label the tiniest

secure any type of scent he wishes, including the scent of humans, and to create the world's best perfume.

After seven years of voluntary solitary confinement, Grenouille finally realizes his own lack of smell. He spends the second half of his life devoted to creating not only the world's best perfume, but also a perfume that will give him a human scent and hopefully help him fit into society. Using cat feces and moldy cheese, he succeeds in creating a human body scent.

After this, he plunges into the creation of the world's best perfume, a process that costs strangers' lives as well as his own.

Süskind does a fantastic job of capturing the stench and dirtiness of 18th century Paris so much that the reader acquires a more perceptive sense of surrounding scents. Grenouille's neurotic passion for scents is exactly the unique element needed to make his character come alive to the reader. Reading through his mind and experiencing life as an outcast with Grenouille enables the reader to understand (if not agree) with his life choices.

The novel is a fast read, but does not leave the reader very satisfied. Grenouille's ending seems abrupt and too fantastic for the life the reader has just begun to believe. Along with the implausible ending, the whole story has an air of a fairy tale, which for a horror novel is not a fitting choice. The novel reads like a story told to an audience of children but with content most certainly not suitable for a young audience. The plot is interesting enough with a unique topic that proves engaging, but the narrative style detracts from the overall appeal of the novel.

For those interested in foreign literature classics and experiencing a book of an unusual nature and topic, this book is worthwhile; for others, this book is a bit too far-fetched and unrealistic to count as a horror novel.

Securing an apprenticeship, he quickly transforms a struggling perfumer into a nationwide celebrity. Unleashing his untamed skills of mixing different scents, a new product is created on a near daily basis. It seems as though Grenouille has found his calling, but the more he learns about the perfume making business, the more starved for knowledge and practice he becomes.

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Arts & Entertainment

Oscar review: blog style

Stewart, "No Country for Old Men" come out on top

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
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The following is my view of the 80th Annual Academy Awards that took place on Sunday, Feb. 24.

8:02 p.m. – The batteries of the remote control to the television in Rush H. Kress Hall appear to be dead. The channel cannot be changed because of how the University's cable system functions. Therefore, I cannot turn on ABC to watch the telecast. Wonderful.

8:04 p.m. – I've scrambled to a friend's room to turn on the broadcast, upset that I've missed the first few minutes. This is usually the most entertaining part of the whole night. I find out that the show doesn't actually start until 8:30 p.m., and I'm stuck with Regis Philbin mispronouncing Javier Bardem.

8:35 p.m. – The opening of the show is nothing more than a monologue from Jon Stewart. His monologue starts off slowly, but starts to pick up a few minutes in. Stewart, hosting the ceremony for the second time, points out that "Juno," a story of teen pregnancy, is the most uplifting of the five nominees for Best Picture. Who said Hollywood was a bright and sunny place?

8:36 p.m. – The first political joke of the evening is a winner. According to Stewart, Hillary Clinton refers to the film about the woman who forgets her husband as the "feel-good movie of the year." Anyone else think that Bill has similar sentiments?

8:37 p.m. – Time for the first "Norbit" joke of the evening. Yes, one of the worst films of the year received a nomination in the makeup category. Stewart laments how "too often the Academy overlooks bad movies."

8:39 p.m. – "Oscar is 80," Stewart says, "which makes him the front runner for the Republican [presidential] nomination." So sad, yet so true.

9:19 p.m. – Javier Bardem receives the first acting award of the night, winning the Oscar for Best Supporting Actor. His performance in "No Country for Old Men" has received almost constant recognition throughout the awards season, so his win is no surprise.

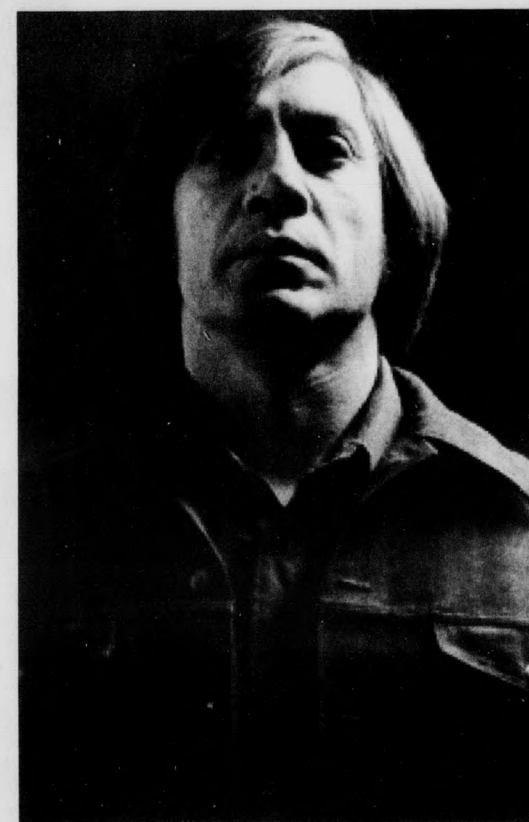
As an added bonus for Bardem, his seat is in the front row next to Jack Nicholson, the star of every party. If the host each year spent most of his time on stage just talking to Jack, that would be fine by me.

9:23 p.m. – Had the writers' strike not ended, the ceremony would have went on, but with a lot of filler material. A couple of examples of this include montages celebrating periscopes and binoculars in film, and a salute to bad dreams. I personally would like to see a montage of the best Oscar montages.

9:39 p.m. – A stunned Tilda Swinton greets her Oscar by saying "Happy Birthday man." The winner for Best Supporting Actress goes on to compare the body of the statuette to that of her agent, including the "buttocks." She then spends some time commenting on her "Michael Clayton"-costar George Clooney, and his love for his old Batman suit that showcased his nipples. You really become emboldened when you win.

9:41 p.m. – Jessica Alba and Miley Rae Cyrus are coming up! I love how this show is really about the best of the best.

9:46 p.m. – Stewart notes that there are two pregnant women at the ceremony (later



Javier Bardem won Best Supporting Actor for his role as a serial killer in "No Country for Old Men." The Coen brothers' film received four Oscars, including Best Picture.

amended to three), but that the number should be recalculated at the end of the night. Why? "Jack [Nicholson] is here," Stewart explains.

10:18 p.m. – Stewart plays Wii tennis on the big screen with Jamie Simone Nash, 11-year actress and singer, who performed the Academy-nominated song "Raise It Up" from the film "August Rush." Hard to tell who was winning, but I believe it was Stewart.

10:34 p.m. – Robert Boyle, age 98, receives a lifetime achievement award for his work in art direction over his career. He is much more coherent, entertaining and lively than presenters such as Jennifer Hudson and Owen Wilson have been this evening.

10:52 p.m. – The microphone sadly lowers on Marketa Irglova, co-winner of the award for Best Original Song, before she gets to give her acceptance speech. The Academy is so cruel.

10:57 p.m. – Stewart brings out Irglova so she can give her acceptance speech. The Academy is so sweet.

11:35 p.m. – Upon receiving the Best Actor award, Daniel Day Lewis ("There Will Be Blood") is "knighted" by Dame Helen Mirren. This leads to the question, would one rather win an Oscar or be knighted?

11:48 p.m. – The three-hour and 18-minute telecast finally closes as "No Country for Old Men" wins its fourth award of the night for Best Picture. The Coen brothers receive three Oscars on the night, for directing, producing and adapting the screenplay for the film.

Overall, the ceremony moved at a decent pace, Stewart exuded confidence and charm (his performance on Sunday was leaps and bounds better than in 2006) and the awards went to those that deserved them. One could have perhaps hoped for a bit more spectacle and splendor, but the excuse of the writers' strike being resolved less than two week beforehand will always linger.



Jon Stewart was the host of the 80th Annual Academy Awards. Stewart also hosted the ceremony in 2006.

Widespread Panic releases 10th studio album

"Free Somehow" features unique instrumental solos and more prevalent vocals of lead singer John Bell

By RICHARD THORNBURGH
Staff Writer

Widespread Panic has thrived in the rock world for a long time. Its tantalizing jam band style has been a key factor in the band's success at selling out venues for the past two decades. The based in Athens, Ga. band is known for its long sets and outlandish guitar solos that sometimes exceed 20 minutes. "Free Somehow," features unique guitar solos, last-instrumental and the strong vocals of lead singer and guitar enthusiast John Bell. I was previously only aware of their live albums, which have gained so much attention, but this studio album is something worth listening to, even though it consists of only a few songs.

The album begins with a song that is one of the least pleasing on the album, which is surprising coming from such an experienced music group. "Boom Boom Boom" has decent guitar and instrumental beats complementing one another, but the lyrics are too repetitive and absurd. After the uninteresting and long



Based in Athens, Ga., Widespread Panic is a southern rock group. The band has been making music and touring for over 20 years.

song, "Walk on the Flood," there are enjoyable tracks until the end of the album. "Angels on High," "Three Candles" and "Tickle the Truth" are all perfect examples of the type of music Widespread Panic has produced in the

past. The occasional piano and harmonica add a softer side to the guitar riffs. "Tickle the Truth" displays the finest guitar parts on the disc while "Angels on High" exhibits culminations of the instruments and vocals.

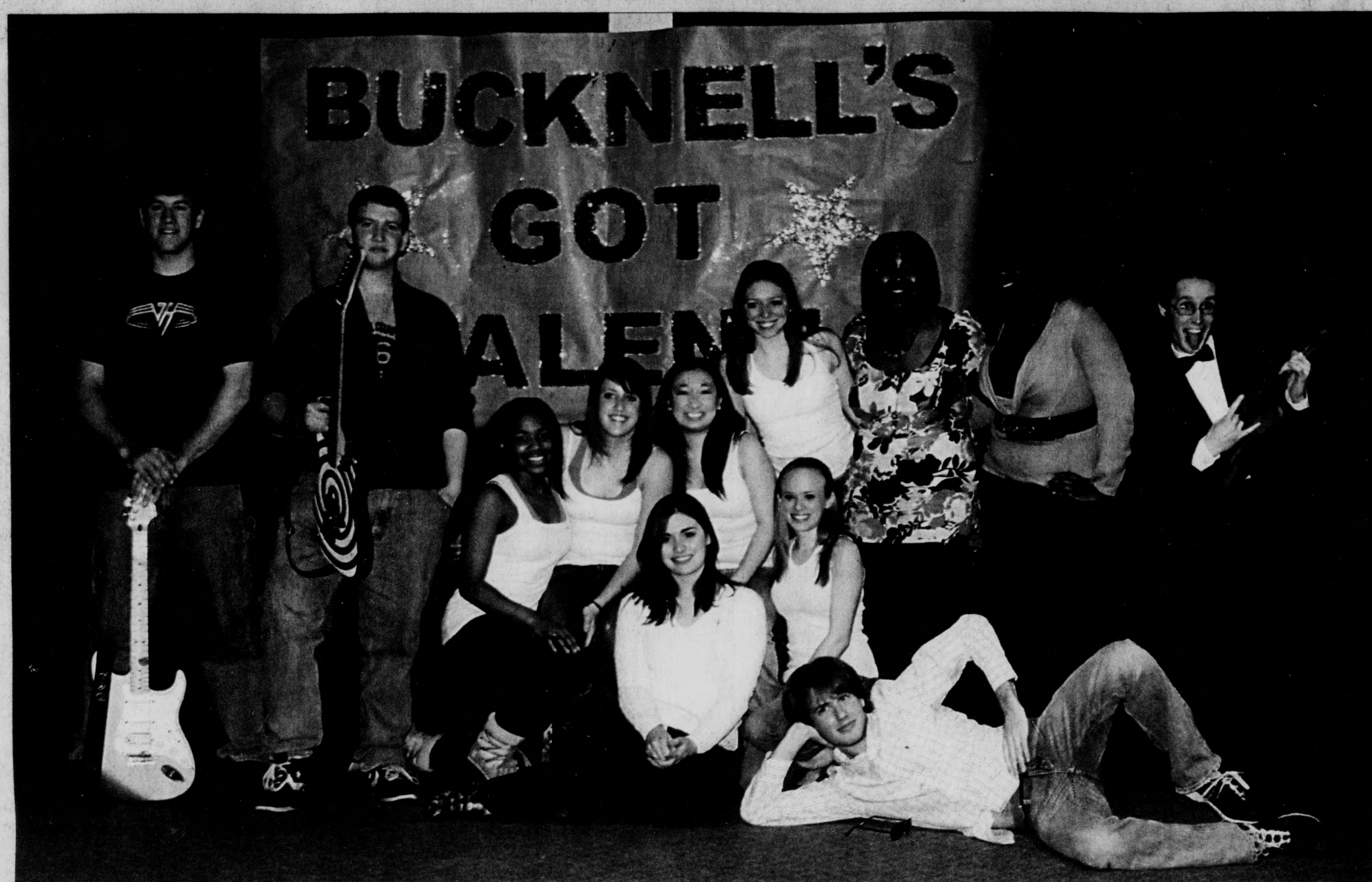
The title track of the album, "Free Somehow," demonstrates the band's southern roots, but sounds out of place after the previous array of songs. Instead, this song would be perfect as the opening track, considering it is the album title. The closing tracks offer much variety with "Dark Day Program," "Her Dance Needs No Body" and "Up All Night." "Dark Day" is a gentle song with a gloomy side, as the title hints. "Body" is the opposite, with jazz, classic rock and contemporary music all in one to bring out quite a spectacle for the listener. Perhaps the greatest song on the album and my personal favorite is the upbeat, closing song called "Up All Night," which elegantly applies brass instruments and piano together, along with guitar and vocals. It leaves you wanting more from the group, which is odd since they not-so-strategically placed it at the end of the album.

If you're a fan of Widespread Panic, either its live work or studio albums, or you're just curious for something to listen to in your spare time, "Free Somehow" would be my recommendation to you.



University talent show:
Eight spectacular
acts, but only
three winners...

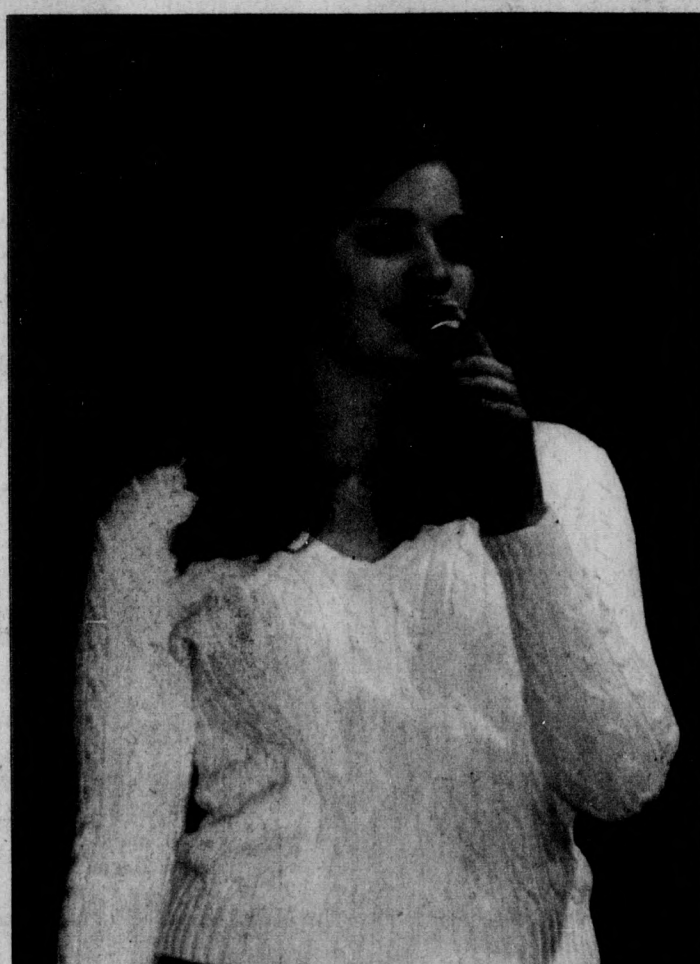
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Above: Performances were made by (left to right) Dave Charles Pike '11, Matt Kennedy '11, the Jelani dance group (Sophia Sainteus '10, Justine Bailey '10, Kimi Kitada '11, Amber Kern '10, Julie Maika '10), Lenore Flower '10, Nicholas Herner '11, Loretta Miller '10, Winnie Okelo '10 and Ryan Foley '11. The acts included guitar improv, singing, dancing and a violin solo.

BUCKNELL'S GOT TALENT

Eight acts competed in this spring's talent show extravaganza last Friday, in Larison Dining Hall. The \$300 first prize went to Lenore Flower '10 for singing "Only Hope" by Mandy Moore in the final round. The first runner up, winning \$200, was the dance group Jelani, and the second runner up was violinist Ryan Foley '11, awarded \$100. Approximately 50-60 students attended and voted for their favorite contenders. The event was sponsored by Campus Events and Activities.



Clockwise from bottom left: Ryan Foley '11, Loretta Miller '09, Lenore Flower '10, Matt Kennedy '11 and Winnie Okelo '10. Flower won the competition's \$300 first prize. Foley won the second runner-up prize.



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Trying on your
dream job

Alexandra Costa '10
shares her externship
experience observing
cardiology with
Alumnus Robert H.
Schwengel, M.D. '83.

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Saylor Says

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

When it comes to men's and women's Patriot League basketball, the reality is the only way a team is getting to the NCAA Tournament is by winning the Patriot League Tournament. Arguments can be made that perhaps the 2004-2005 Holy Cross men's basketball team or the 2005-2006 Bucknell men's basketball team (had it not won the league tournament) should have received automatic bids to participate in March Madness, but those were atypical seasons for the league. So one can say the only games that truly matter are the three tournament contests, which is good for the men's and women's basketball teams, who have yet to consistently show that other games matter.

Teams are entitled to lose games and to losing seasons. Teams are entitled to poor shooting nights, games where they have occasional physical and mental lapses or just flat out stink.

A staple of Bison basketball has been that 100 percent effort and all-out hustle will be given at all times.

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Bison place first and second at PL tourney

Women's track and field win seventh straight indoor title; men place highest since 2002

By BRIAN MULLIGAN
Sports Editor

The Orange and Blue solidified their hold on the championship on the third day by winning all three event titles. In the mile, Erin Cranmer-Hart '08 posted a time of 5 minutes and 4.84 seconds to win the event. The distance relay team of Hanson-Hall, Jenny Dalzell '09, Gilbert and Cranmer-Hart earned first-place honors in 12:16.33.

Megan Hathaway '09 and Fink claimed the top two spots in the 500-meter dash for the Bison.

Hathaway crossed the finish line in 1:16.75, while Fink finished less than a second behind her teammate.

The men's squad took second place to Navy, posting their best finish in the indoor Patriot League Championship since 2002. The Bison notched 138 points to edge out League rival, Army, by 30 points.

"I was very impressed with the spirit and the tenacity in which our men showed the entire weekend," Donner said. "To beat Army for the first time in school history really enhances our program and gives us the confidence that we are now one of the 'Big Boys' of the Patriot League for Track and Field."

Nicholas Hrush '11 and Drew Fitzgerald '11 tied for first place in the high jump on the second day of competition, both clearing an IC4A qualifying height of 6-8. Ryan White '10 finished out the two-day heptathlon with a third place finish. White notched an IC4A qualifying point total of 4,593.

James Meyer '08 took third-place honors in the weight throw with a heave of 56-1. His IC4A-qualifying throw was a career best. Tim Medlock '10 finished fourth in the event with a career-best throw of 52-8.

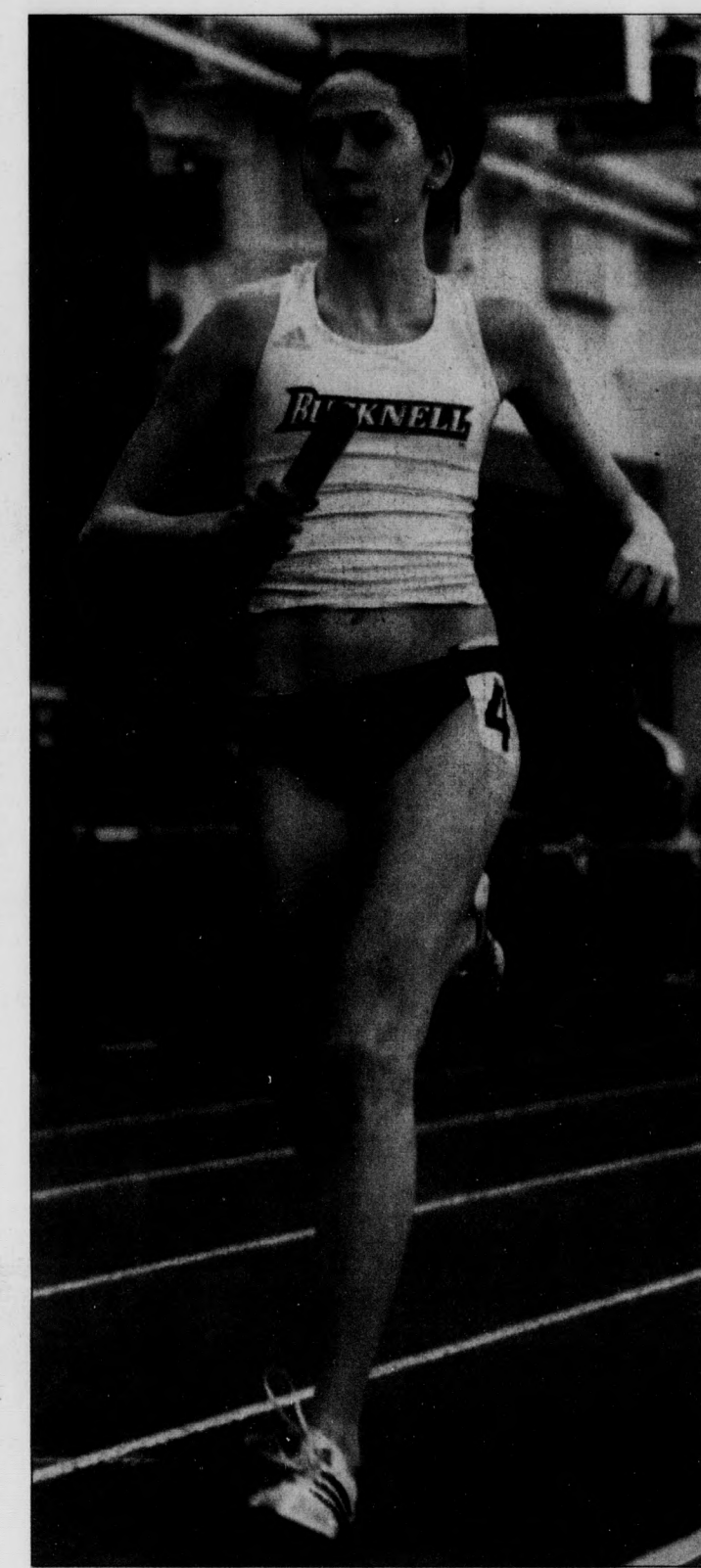
Wallace Campbell '08 qualified for the IC4A championship in the 5,000-meter run, posting a season-best time of 14:39.82. He finished third overall. Medlock set a new school record in the shot put, breaking Erik Steiler's mark of 52-8 set in 1995. Medlock won the event with a heave of 53-9. In the 60-meter finals, Kevin MacLeod '09 improved upon his record setting preliminary time, placing third in 8.29 seconds. Andrew Yehl '10 finished a mere 0.03 seconds behind MacLeod to capture fourth place honors and the second-fastest time in school history.

David Mante '08 cleared a height of 16-3 1/2 in the pole vault to win the event and establish a career-best IC4A-qualifying mark. Kyle Anthony '10 took home the silver in the triple jump and cleared a IC4A-qualifying distance of 49-1.

In the 400-meter dash, the Orange and Blue swept the top three positions. Kerry Boyle '09 led the charge, winning the event in an IC4A-qualifying time of 0:48.52. Guy Castranova '11 and MacLeod finished second and third respectively.

"The best part of the weekend for me was coming when our team came in one, two, three in the 400. This was our goal from the beginning," Castranova said. "Kerry and Kevin constantly helped me out during the year to better myself. Even during the race we worked together by letting each other cut in and pacing off each other. This was the first time I had ever been apart of where track is not just about the individual but the whole team."

The Bison now enter the championship portion of their season. The women's team will compete in the ECAC Championship on March 8-9 in Boston, Mass., while the men's squad is scheduled to compete in the IC4A Championships the same weekend in Boston, Mass.



Erin Cranmer-Hart '08 earned first team All-Patriot League honors in the distance medley relay and mile events.

No. 19 water polo enjoys 3-0 weekend

Women's team beats Iona, Wagner and Villanova



Bucknell 17
Wagner 7
in the second game of the tournament.

which featured some record-breaking performances. Three players, Gins, Rowe and Kandi Canonica '11, recorded averaged at least six points each in an offensive explosion. There were five Bison players with multiple goals and Gins broke the program career records for goals and points in the game. Carter also tied a career-high with 11 saves.

Bucknell 18
Villanova 5
soundedly defeated Villanova 18-5 to kick off their tournament campaign. It was all but over at halftime as the Bison held a daunting 13-1 advantage. The team compiled a season-high 22 steals. Five of them came from Flavia McBride '11, also who also tallied two goals and three assists in the win. A staggering ten different players netted goals against an overwhelmed Villanova squad.

"The girls played well at Maryland... everyone got to play and contribute to our wins. This is important as we continue to establish our team identity and style of play," said Abdou said.

The Bison look to build on their current four-game winning streak when they host the ECAC tournament at Kinney Natatorium this weekend. Their first match will be against No. 8 Slippery Rock on Saturday at 9 a.m.

Orange and Blue snatch late game victory

By WES TROWBRIDGE
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team defeated Hobart 10-9 with its first victory of the season as Goalkeeper Nick Sciubba '09 made a save with 17 seconds remaining on Sunday at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium. Co-captain Nicholas Marks '08 scored the go-ahead goal with five minutes and 49 seconds left in regulation, and Ryan Klipstein '11 showcased a perfect shooting day with five points in his home debut.

The Orange and Blue (1-1) never trailed in the contest but had to fight for every ground ball against

their physical, fast-paced opponent. Hobart (0-1) managed to erase a three-goal deficit midway through the fourth quarter, leveling the score to 9-9. The victory pushed the Bison back inside the national rankings (No. 19) in the Nike/Inside Lacrosse Media Poll.

"Our defense played very well and forced some turnovers in key parts of the game, and we had some guys step up and make big plays on offense in the second half," attackman Tim Brandau '10 said.

After recording one assist in his first collegiate game, Klipstein recorded four goals, one assist and a team-high three ground balls against Hobart.

"[Klipstein] showed terrific poise for a freshman," Frank Fedorjaka, head mens lacrosse coach, said.

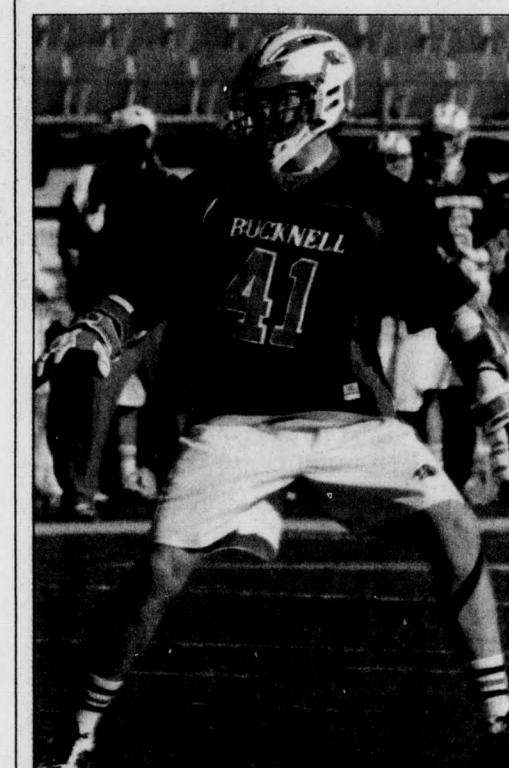
After a 2-0 lead through the first quarter, with goals by Perry Menzies '09 and Klipstein, Hobart tied the score at 2-2. Less than five minutes into the second period, the Orange and Blue responded with goals by Joseph Mele '09, Austin Winter '10 and two from Klipstein, to take a lead 6-3 in the beginning of the second half.

Brandau scored a pair of unassisted goals in the third quarter to make the score 8-5 before the Statesmen sandwiched two goals on each side of another goal by Klipstein, to tie the score at 9-9 with 7:26 remaining in the contest.

"Hobart has an explosive offense and they have always been dangerous in transition. They got us a few times when it was unsettled, but when the tempo favored our style, we had a lot of success," Fedorjaka said.

Minutes later, the Bison's dominant riding unit caused a turnover, which led to Marks' game-winning goal, his only shot of the game. A pair of Hobart penalties helped the Bison maintain possession for the next few minutes before Hobart forced a turnover of their own and streaked downfield, only to be stopped by Sciubba's 14th and final save with 17 seconds remaining.

"One of our main goals of the game was to play



Ryan Klipstein '11 scored his first four career goals in the 10-9 victory over Hobart.

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Sports

Men's tennis beats St. Francis; now 2-2

By JORDAN BRODSKY
Staff Writer

The University's men's tennis team defeated the Red Flash of Saint Francis 6-1 on Feb. 23 to improve to 2-2 on the season.

On the doubles side, the Bison had a clean sweep of Saint Francis. At the number one doubles spot, Ryan Sandburg '09 and Ira Reibsen '08 paired up to defeat Jeffrey Seever and Stephen Kowalski, 8-4. In the second doubles match Jonathan Brenner '09 was paired along side Anton Kovic '11. The two came out on top with an 8-2 victory over Andrei Sandu and Jordan Kowalski. At the final doubles spot for the Bison, the tandem of Ben Young '08 and Mark Malloy '11 defeated David Kirby and John Anguioni, 8-1.

In the Bison's five singles victories, the Orange and Blue only gave up a combined seven games. At number two singles, Zach Hascoe '10 defeated Ajay Nune, 6-0, 6-2. Brenner won his number three singles match 6-0, 6-2 against Stephen Kowalski. Kovic easily defeated Jeffrey Seever, 6-1, 6-2 at the number four singles slot. Malloy and Young seemed to have the easiest days on the courts as they won their number five and number six singles matches 6-0, 6-0 over Jordan Kowalski and Kyle Primeau, respectively. The lone loss for the Bison on the day was Sandburg's number one singles match that went three sets. He lost to Andrei Sandu 6-2, 3-6, 8-10.

The Bison hit the road over the weekend as they set out to play Brown on Friday and Boston University on Saturday in Providence, R.I. Patriot League play begins in about a month when the Bison will host the Midshipmen of Navy on March 30.

"I can speak for my team when I say that we feel confident and eager for Patriot League matches," Malloy



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Zachary Hascoe '10 scored a 6-0, 6-2 win this week over Ajay Nune of St. Francis.

said. "Ranked 3rd in the Patriot League, Bucknell has a very strong reputation as a team that is challenging to win ... As of now, the most important thing that our team should concentrate on is remaining focused and maintaining discipline."

Wrestling falls to No. 15 Cornell

Bison overmatched by ranked Big Red opponents, lose 26-7

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

The wrestling team closed out its season with a 26-7 loss to No. 15 Cornell Saturday in Ithaca, N.Y. Cornell was able to send four wrestlers ranked in the top 20 nationally to the mat against the Bison, who were simply out-matched despite wrestling at a high level.

"Although the score doesn't show it, we wrestled really well as a team," said Greg Hart '10. "It was a good mile marker for us heading into EIWAs."

Despite dropping eight out of 10 matches, the Bison only conceded bonus points in two of their losses, each of which came at the hands of a top 10 opponent. Brantley Hooks '10 fell by major decision, 13-1, to No. 8 Jordan Leen. Shane Riccio '10 was the other Bison to give up bonus points, falling to No. 10 Steve Anceravage in a major decision 17-7. The loss was Riccio's first in 15 matches.

"Having a loss the last match before EIWAs helped me

"The coaching staff has high expectations for the wrestlers at EIWAs because we truly believe they are capable."

—Dustin Manotti, assistant coach

realize that I have a lot of work to do," Riccio said. "I need to keep getting better to make it to NCAAs."

Hart lost his 125 pound match up to Mike Rodriguez 8-4 to begin the day. No. 18 Dave Marble '10 got an opportunity to face his toughest competition of the year in the next match as he lost 6-2 to No. 2 Mike Grey in the 133 pound match up.

Luke Chohaney '10 scored the first win for the Orange and Blue, earning a 6-3 division over Nick Bridge in the 141 pound weight division. Cornell was able to answer right back though, with a 6-1 win by D.J. Meagher over Kevin LeValley '11.

The only other Bison win that day came from No. 19 Andy Rendos '10, who scored a 14-2 major decision in the 165 pound bout over Drake Hovis.

David Thompson '11 was impressive in match, losing just 4-0 to No. 17 Josh Arnone.

Jay Hahn '11 and George Hingson '10 closed out the match for the Bison, falling 6-2 and 8-3 respectively, bringing the score to 26-7.

"I think the team gave one of their best performances at Cornell," said Assistant Coach Dustin Manotti. "It shows that, as a team, we are peaking exactly when we should be."

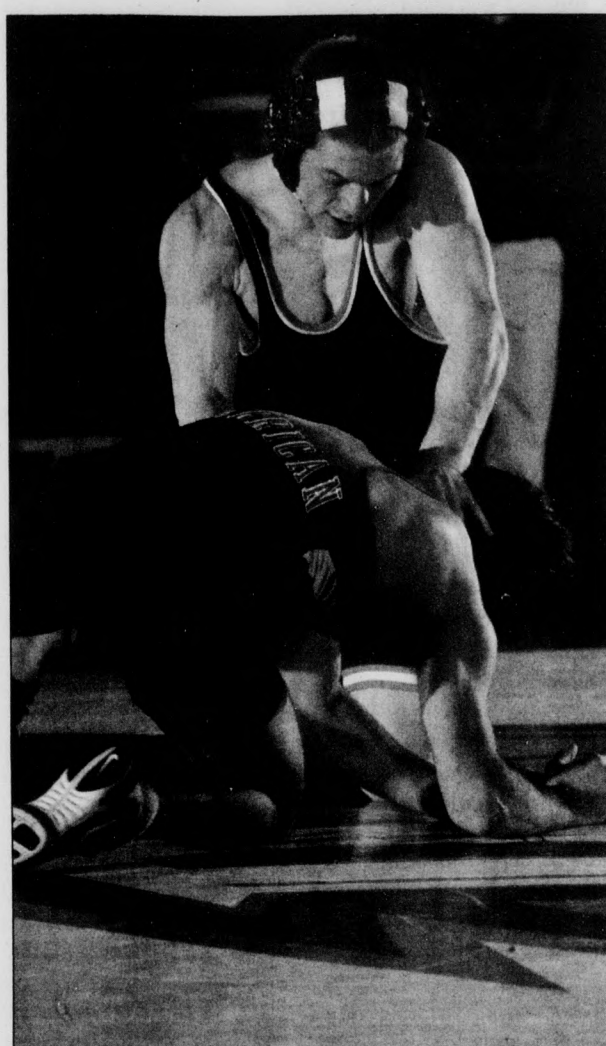
The Orange and Blue conclude their season 9-11-1 overall and 4-4 in the EIWA heading into the conference tournament. The 10 Bison who wrestled against Cornell will be the same 10 representing the team at EIWAs March 8-9.

"The coaching staff has high expectations for the wrestlers at EIWAs because we truly believe they are capable," said Manotti.

The Bison look to perform well at EIWAs and send as many team members to the national tournament as possible. Wrestlers can advance to the NCAA Championships in St. Louis, Mo. by either automatic or at-large bid based on their success in the conference tournament.

"The team has the ability to send between three to six guys to St. Louis," said Dave Marble '10. "It comes down to a compilation of the year's work on and off the mat."

The EIWA tournament will kickoff March 8 in Lancaster, Pa.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Dave Marble '10 will enter the EIWA tournament as the nation's 18th best in the 133 pound division.

Sports

Bison break records at championships

Men's swimming and diving sets three school records on its way to second place finish; women take third

By ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

The hard work finally paid off for Bison swimming this year as the team made an excellent showing at the Patriot League Championships in Annapolis, Md.

The men's team began the meet with a victory on Friday night as Luke Trafton '10 won the 500 free in a time of four minutes, 28.97 seconds. This mark broke the record Trafton had previously set as a first-year at the 2007 championships.

Mark Kawczynski '09, Bradford Bennett '08, Grant Steadman '08 and John Peterman '08 won gold for the University hitting the wall first in the 400 medley relay in 3:21.98 and setting a new school record.

The 200 free relay saw Peterman, Kawczynski, Daniel Fletcher '10 and Steadman place second in 1:32.42. Rounding out the scoring on the men's side was Peterman who placed third in the 50 free with a time of 21.11.

On the women's side, Lauren Russel '10 took third-place in the 200 IM and the 200 free relay earned third through the efforts of Molly Goebel '11, Alex Lovallo '09, Megan Mongan '10 and Courtney Warren '10. Warren, Kelly Morris '09, Goebel and Mongan finished third in the 400 medley relay, earning fifth on the University's top-ten

list.

The second day of competition was highlighted by individual wins for both teams. On the women's side, Warren won the first women's individual title for the program since 2006, winning the 100 back. This started the day off on a positive note. Other notable performances came from Russel in the 400 IM with a third place finish, and the 200 medley women's relay squad placed second in competition.

On the men's side, Kawczynski won the 100 back, breaking the elusive 50 second barrier in a time of 49.99. This victory came shortly after a victory in the 200 medley relay where Kawczynski teamed up with Bennett, Steadman and Peterman to defend the relay title they won just one year before.

"The men's team got huge performances in the medley relays and their wins were big for us" Head Coach Dan Schinnerer said.

The medley relays accounted for many of the points the team earned over the tough three-day competition.

The third day of competition saw four third-place finishes as Kristen Skroski '08 placed third in the 1650 free with the second best time in program history. In the one meter dive, Eliza Massie '10 led the way logging a total of 247.80 points, good enough for third place. Abigail

Atkinson '10 registered a third place finish in the 200 back with a time of 2:05.10.

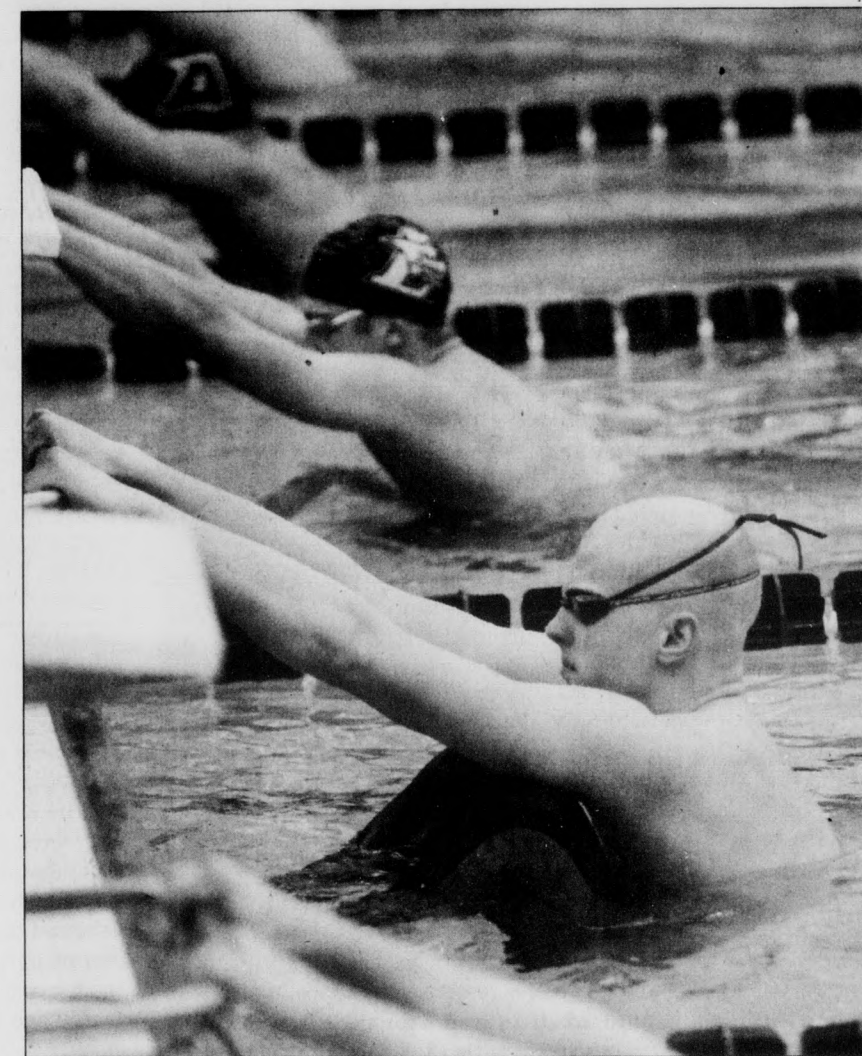
Closing the meet on the women's team was the 400 free relay which saw an electric squad of Goebel, Mongan, Lovallo and Skroski swim a time of 3:32.73 which placed them sixth in the all-time record books.

"Coming into the season we weren't supposed to be even close to Colgate or Navy, but we ended the meet right in the mix. We saw great improvement from our underclassmen and great swims from our seniors."

A third-place finish in the meet was an accomplishment for the women's team.

For the men's team, Trafton won gold again, this time in the 1650 freestyle breaking another school record he set the previous year at this meet. Senior Joseph Metcalf placed second in the 200 breast and Gonzalo DeLeon '11 took third in the 200 back.

The men's team closed the competition in second place and as Coach Schinnerer, who was later named Patriot League Coach of the Year, said, "The men's team worked hard ... especially the seniors who contributed a lot both in performance, and leadership ... this sets the stage for future success."



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Mark Kawczynski '09 was a key contributor to the 200 and 400 medley relay teams, helping lead the Bison to victories in both events.

Women's b-ball drops close contest

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

The Bison women's basketball team failed to sustain the momentum of back-to-back wins, including Saturday's 31-point victory in Hamilton, N.Y. against Colgate, with a 55-48 loss to Lehigh Wednesday at Soika Pavilion. The loss means that the Orange and Blue (12-15 overall, 7-6 in Patriot League play) will finish no higher than fifth in the conference standings regardless of the outcome of tomorrow's home game against Army. They will finish no lower than sixth.

"This is such an up and down season," Bison Head Coach Kathy Federjaka said after the game. "It feels like you are getting there, but tonight was a test ..."

The Orange and Blue failed the test against the Mountain Hawks (17-11, 9-4) thanks to 21 turnovers, the most the team has committed since turning the ball over 32 times against No. 15 Duke on Dec. 21. The Bison led 23-20 at halftime, but 12 first half turnovers prevented the squad from building a bigger lead.

"We were up three, but we came out of the locker room like we were down 10," Federjaka said. "I saw it in our body language."

The Mountain Hawks opened the second half on a 15-5 run, including a 9-0 spurt, that gave Lehigh a 35-28 lead with 13 minutes and 26 seconds left to play. A tough drive and jumper in the lane by Taylor Phillips '11 cut Lehigh's lead to 38-35 with 7:55 remaining, but that would be as close as the Orange and Blue would get the rest of the night. The Mountain Hawks would extend their lead to as much as 11, but the Bison battled to cut that margin to four with 56 seconds on the clock thanks to a three-pointer by Amanda Brown '09. The team failed to score the rest of the night.

"We either blow people out or lose every close ball game," Federjaka said. "We have not played well across the board in nip and

tuck situations."

The statistics back-up Federjaka's assessment. Her team's seven conference wins have been by an average of 18.3 points per contest. Conversely, the team's six losses have been by an average of 5.2 points per game. The seven-point loss to the Mountain Hawks was the largest margin of defeat for the Orange and Blue during conference play all season.

Hope Foster '08 scored a team-high 14 points to go along with a game-high 13 rebounds to record her fourth double-double of the year, and second in the last three games. However, she attempted only three field goals in the second half, missing them all. Phillips scored 11 points in 25 minutes off the bench, and Brown chipped in with 10. Starters Keshia Champion '08 and Lauren Schober '09 combined for just five points and committed a collective '11 turnovers.

The game was in stark contrast to the Bison's 88-57 win over Colgate (1-27, 0-13) on Saturday. The Orange and Blue led for all but 43 seconds of the game, and all 12 players who dressed for the game played at least six minutes. The Bison led by as many as 36 points, and by at least 31 points for the game's final 7:48.

Foster tied a career-high with 24 points, making eight of her 12 field goal attempts and eight out of nine from the foul line. She also had a game-high nine rebounds. Champion had 15 points, five assists and four rebounds. Schober contributed 13 points, five rebounds and five assists and Joyce Novacek '11 scored a career-high 13 points. Phillips scored nine points in 14 minutes off the bench, and Cosima Higham '11 grabbed eight rebounds in 12 minutes of action.

The regular season comes to a close for the Orange and Blue on Saturday, as the squad hosts the Black Knights (18-10, 9-4) at Soika Pavilion. Prior to the scheduled 7 p.m. tip, the team will honor seniors Foster, Champion, Kristina Collymore, Ashton Sprouse and Andrea Wright.



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Hope Foster '08 equalled a career-high with 24 points in the win over Colgate. Foster then scored 14 against Lehigh.

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John Griffin '08 has started all 28 games for the Bison this year. Griffin leads the team in scoring with 13.5 points per contest.

Men's basketball loses to ODU and Lehigh

By JON CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

The men's basketball team lost on the road against Lehigh on Wednesday night, dropping a key game in its hunt to host a Patriot League Tournament game. The 50-39 defeat to the Mountain Hawks is the second in a row for the Bison, following Saturday's 65-55 loss against Old Dominion in the O'Reilly ESPNU BracketBusters series.

Both teams struggled to get their offenses going, but the Orange and Blue went several long stretches without a basket leaving them too far back with too little time left to make up the difference.

Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 made the comment after last week's win at home over Lafayette that "We're not putting anybody away, so we're going to have to grind it out."

The Bison were in position to do the same on Wednesday, but a poor performance from the floor left them short of contention.

Darren Mastropalo '08 led the Bison with eight points, while Todd O'Brien '11 backed him with six points and nine rebounds. John Griffin '08 struggled from beyond the arc, making just one of eight shots, and finished with seven points.

The Bison were first on the board, but an ugly seven-minute stretch followed for both teams during which Lehigh managed to take a 8-2 lead. The Orange and Blue fought back and narrowed the lead to two, 14-12, with a little over six minutes left in the first half. However, another cold spell at the end of the half left the Orange and Blue trailing 26-17 going into the break.

Things didn't improve much from there as Lehigh took their first double-digit lead of the night three minutes into the second half and never looked back. The Mountain Hawks largest lead came with eight minutes remaining in regulation as a free throw put them up 44-24. The Bison's total of 39 points was the program's lowest scoring game in nine years.

The non-conference game against the Monarchs is not a factor in hunt for the Patriot League title, but did prove a valuable opportunity for Coach Flannery to test the team's depth against another solid program.

Griffin put up 19 points to lead the Bison attack, while Mastropalo snatched up nine boards, kicked in eight points and handed out two assists in 31 minutes.

Coming off their dramatic victory at home last week against Lafayette, the Orange and Blue traded blows with Old Dominion throughout most of the first half. There were several lead changes, the final Bison advantage coming with a little over seven minutes remaining in the game as Griffin knocked down a three off a pass from Darryl Shazier '11. The balance of the half was slow for both teams, but the Monarchs did the most with the time going on a 7-2 run to close out the first stanza with a 31-24 advantage.

Old Dominion continued to maintain its command of the scoreboard throughout the majority of the second half, leading by as much as nine at several points. The Orange and Blue went to their bench several times, allowing several players a decent amount of playing time. With eight minutes left, the Bison made their first run of the half.

Down by seven, Mastropalo made a lay-up to cut the lead to five. Justin Castleberry '09 picked up a steal on the resulting drive, getting the ball back on the other end for a nice jumper with nearly no time left on the shot clock. The Monarchs turned the ball over again and Stephen Tyree '10 found Mastropalo again for two points to cut the lead to just one. An off-the-ball foul by Old Dominion gave Castleberry a look at the hoop from the beyond the arc, which he converted to give the Bison their first lead since the first half.

The two squads stayed close until the five minute mark when the Monarchs took over for a 9-0 burst to run up a 54-45 lead with a little over two minutes remaining in the half. The Bison would recover slightly, but were unable to cut into Old Dominion's lead for the remainder of the match, losing by a tally of 65-55.

The Bison need a win in tomorrow's game at West Point, N.Y. to finish the regular season at the .500 mark.

There are currently 16 scenarios for how the seeding of the Patriot League Tournament will work out. The Orange and Blue are guaranteed a home game with a win, as long as both Lehigh and Lafayette do not win their games. If all three of those teams win, further scenarios come into play, such as the outcome of the Navy-Colgate game and the Collegiate Basketball News RPI rating. A Navy win in this case would place the Bison fifth. A Colgate win would mean that a tie would have to be broken between Lafayette and the Bison by the RPI rating, which currently ranks the Leopards higher. A loss automatically means that the Bison will not gain a top-four seed.

Matthew Saylor contributed to this article.

First-year profile: Nicholas Hruch

By CONNIE BARKO
Senior Writer

At the Patriot League Championships hosted at the University this weekend, Nicholas Hruch '11 tied for first place in the high jump with teammate Drew Fitzgerald '11. They both cleared a height of six feet, eight and a quarter inches. This jump matched the ICAA-qualifying height Hruch achieved at the Bucknell Winter Classic Feb. 9, which placed him sixth on the University's best all-time list.

Before competing at the University, Hruch attended Liberty High School in Sykesville, Md. He competed in a variety of sports, including basketball and soccer. Hruch had been introduced to track in middle school at an all-county play day. Although he did not like high jumping at first, his coaches saw potential because of his natural jumping ability.

"I was a 400 meter runner originally. I hated high jump. Someone pushed me into it and then over time I got better at it," Hruch said.

Throughout high school, Hruch excelled in both running and field events. He won the indoor high jump at states his sophomore and senior years and took second his junior year. For outdoor, he won states in the high jump his sophomore year and placed second his senior year. In indoor and outdoor, Hruch also had a series of second and third place finishes in running events at states, including the 500 and 800 meter.

Hruch fractured his spine his senior year, preventing him from competing and even training. When Hruch came to the University, he was uncertain of how he would perform.

"With the injury, I was hoping that I was still as good as I was in high school," Hruch said. "I had to stop running and jumping, so I was just hoping."

The training at the University was different from what Hruch had experienced in high school. The focus was less on running and more on jumping technique. His coaches also challenged him to perform better than his best.

Hruch was also helped by the friendship and support of his roommate and teammate, Fitzgerald. Fitzgerald, who had been recruited for pole vault, recently started high jumping for the University. The pair have been training and competing together.

"We are almost the exact same person in personality. We feed off each other so much," Hruch said.

That shared enthusiasm was seen in the Patriot League Championships as they were two of the final three high jumpers still competing at a height of 6-7. Although Hruch was the first to clear 6-8, the other competitor from Army was unable to make the height. After some encouragement from Hruch, Fitzgerald was also able to clear 6-8, setting a new personal best.

The entire men's team was there watching the event and cheered enthusiastically for the pair. Because the event was early in the day, the team was able to build off of their success.

"Our team was set off for the rest of the meet," Hruch said. "We were on a roll and got some momentum."

Because of Fitzgerald and Hruch's ability to work together, they now have a chance to compete at the ICAAs together. This is a dream neither of them had even considered this summer.

Hruch's success can be explained in part by his commitment to the sport even when things appeared hopeless after his fracture.

"Hruch is always on top of things and is the hardest working kid I've ever jumped with. His attention to detail will translate into constant improvements throughout his four years," teammate Ryan Robinson '09 said.

Hruch's attitude also seems to have contributed to his performance. Because they feed off of his energy, his teammates have also benefited from his presence.

"Nick is someone that always comes to practice with a smile and is full of energy," teammate Jeremy Hollins '09 said. "This is great for his ability because the more positive you are, the more you can achieve."

After winning the Patriot League Championships in high jump, Hruch has a promising future on the men's team. Hruch will continue to train for the upcoming ICAAs and compete in outdoor track this spring.

"Nick is only going to get better," teammate Jordan Kirby '09 said. "I definitely see the Bucknell school records in the high jump in jeopardy. He's accomplished in a few months what many athletes have to work three or four years for."



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Nicholas Hruch '11 won the high jump event at the Patriot League Championships.

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Baseball opens 0-2-1 at Early Bird Tournament

By KENNETH BLACK
Contributing Writer

The men's baseball team failed to secure a win in the Eastern Kentucky Early Bird Tournament, going 0-2-1.

"We were a pitch, a play or an at-bat away from getting three wins. We faced quality opponents with very good pitching and got to play a lot of innings," Head Coach Gene Depew said.

On a snow-shortened Sunday, Eastern Kentucky slipped by the Bison 3-2 in a game that was called in the middle of the seventh.

Eastern Kentucky opened the scoring in the bottom half of the second inning with a one-out triple to center by Jayson Langfels who scored on an error on the play.

After being held hitless through four, the Orange and Blue took the lead in the top of the fifth. Patrick Cooper surrendered back-to-back walks to John Avanzino '10 and Zach Brown '09. Ed Rubbo '08 broke up the no-hitter with a single to center that plated Avanzino, while Brown scored on an error, giving the Bison a 2-1 lead.

The Colonels answered back with one run in both the bottom of the fifth and sixth innings as the Bison managed just two hits over seven innings.

Andy Campbell '09 got the nod for the Bison, pitching five innings, allowing two runs on five hits with one walk and two strikeouts. Eric Jarrett '11 came on in relief and received the loss (0-1) giving up one unearned run on no hits in the sixth inning.

On Saturday afternoon, the Orange and Blue and Eastern Kentucky eventually ended in a 7-7 tie after 14 innings due to darkness.

Mat Wilson '08 got the start for the Bison, going seven strong innings, striking out a career-high 10 Colonels, while allow-

ing two runs, only one earned and giving up seven hits.

The Bison tied the score at one apiece in the top of the fourth, as Mark Angelo '08 drove in Jason Buursma '08 with an RBI double. They scored two more runs in the fifth as Rubbo walked and later scored on a RBI single by Shawn Hirsch '08 who scored on a double steal.

After Trey Frahier '11 failed to hold off Eastern Kentucky in relief of Wilson, Jimmy Murphy '09 entered the game in the eighth inning with one out, getting the Bison out of the jam, striking out the first two batters he faced, leaving the bases loaded with Colonels.

In the top of the 11th, Andrew Brouse '10 led off with double to right center and later scored on an error to give the Bison a 5-4 lead. Eastern Kentucky answered in the bottom half of the frame on a two-out single.

The Orange and Blue rallied in the top of the 13th, led by Brouse's one-out triple to right center. Brouse scored on an RBI single by Austin Turban '08. Turban scored on a sacrifice fly by Hirsch, giving the Bison a two-run lead. The Colonels again had an answer for the Orange and Blue in the bottom half of the 13th, tying the game at seven before Murphy settled down and induced three straight groundouts.

The game was called in the top of the 14th due to darkness, and the team had to settle for the tie. Murphy gave up only three runs on eight hits and three strikeouts. Eric Jarrett '11 came on in relief and received the loss (0-1) giving up one unearned run on no hits in the sixth inning.

In Friday's contest, the Bison held a 6-3 lead after six innings, but failed to shut Toledo down, as the Rockies dropped the Bison 9-7.

The team played runs in both the second and third innings as Avanzino jacked his first collegiate home run in the third, a



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Third basemen Ed Rubbo '08 had one hit and scored twice against Eastern Kentucky on Saturday.

two-run shot giving the Bison the lead at 3-2. They tacked on three more runs in the bottom of the sixth before Toledo's bats woke up to the tune of six runs on four hits in the top of the seventh.

Turban's solo homer in the bottom of the seventh got the Bison within two of Toledo but the Orange and Blue could not capitalize in the bottom of the ninth with the tying runs on base.

Buursma tossed 6.1 innings, letting up six runs on seven hits with one walk and three strikeouts. Dave Solan '08 came on in

relief and received the loss (0-1), walking the winning run.

"All three games could have gone in our favor and those kind of wins will come as the season progresses," Buursma said. "I think we all know we can win this year and I know everyone will have a sour taste in our mouth from last weekend which will make us hungry as we travel down to face Richmond and Virginia Commonwealth."

The Bison hit the road again over the weekend with games against Richmond and Virginia Commonwealth University.

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with a lot of heart and emotion and we definitely did that," Co-Captain Mark Lane '08 said. "It was the key factor for us winning the game because although we played pretty well, there are still a lot of areas we can improve in."

Aside from Klipstein, the Bison showed a balanced attack as Brandau scored twice and Mele, Menzies, Marks and Winter found the net once each. Winter and Togs

Togeri '09 each recorded two assists.

The Orange and Blue trailed Hobart in shots (40-32) and ground balls (25-21). They also won only six out of 20 face-offs, an area that should improve this season as face-off specialist Christian Tucker '11 sees more playing time.

The Orange and Blue also received a helping hand from a winter storm late last week, which forced a change in the game's location from Baltimore, Md., adding an extra home game to this season's schedule.

The Bison will face-off against No. 20 Ohio State on

Saturday at 1 p.m. at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium. Ohio State (1-1) has played Patriot League rivals No. 11 Navy and Colgate in their first two games this season, losing 7-8 and winning 13-6, respectively. The Bison defeated Ohio State 7-6 in Columbus, Ohio last season.

"Ohio State is a very talented team with a group of great athletes ... we are going to need to play at a higher level if we want to beat them," Fedorjaka said. "It will most likely come down to the last possession of the game and hopefully we will be on the right side of that."

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That staple has been removed by some players at some times this year, and that lack of effort is something that teams are not entitled to do.

Darren Mastropalo '08 has given an arm and literally a leg to this University's basketball program. He understands the value of playing time and makes the most of his opportunity. However, there are men and women on the teams who need to realize playing is a privilege. Those who show they want to play should play. It's a less talented player is giving full effort and a more talented player is not, then I will take the less talented player on my team every time.

I have seen and heard players put this year about playing time, tune out their coaches and teammates and simply go through the motions when out on the court. There have been too many times where there has been no sense of urgency and a lack of passion for the game being played. There are so many who do not have the opportunity to participate in collegiate athletics who would give anything to be out on the court. This is how players have to play at all times.

A lack of energy has been absent for both teams at many different times this year, even in wins. Watching this team play has become "Groundhog's Day" for many in the media and for coaches as well, as evidenced by the continuing search for answers.

Hopefully, the teams will have all of their players on the same page play the way that they are capable. Once these games start, we will find out if the play up until now has really mattered—one way or the other.

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Writing a stand-out résumé

By RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editor

One of the most important tasks you'll undertake before you graduate is compiling your résumé. Along with clearly conveying your experience and skills, you need to use your résumé to highlight your strengths to grab the reader's attention and show your suitability for the position you seek.

"The average attention that a reader gives to a résumé is 60 seconds," Pamela Keiser, director of the Career Development Center (CDC), said. "You want to hook the reader."

Keiser suggests sparking employer interests by researching the company you're applying to, and showing them how you would be a good match for the job. For example, if your potential employer is seeking someone with good communication skills and that is one of your strengths, use that as a keyword to feature in your résumé and cover letter.

Also keep in mind that if you are deeply involved in different areas of focus, for example scientific research and volunteer work, you will want to discuss the experiences that apply specifically to the job you're applying to. Be sure to include information about both experiences, but if the job is science-based, centralize your research skills.

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Alumnus helps student observe cardiology through CDC Externship

By ALEXANDRA COSTA
Writer

Robert H. Schwengel, M.D. '83, of Cardiovascular Associates of Rhode Island, is one of more than 200 University alumni who generously donated their

time and professional expertise as externship hosts to University sophomores.

Launched in 2006, the University's externship program is an opportunity for sophomores to shadow professionals with hands-on learning that is a leap beyond the traditional classroom. For three fast-paced, captivating days in January, I joined cardiologist Dr. Schwengel who gave me a rare look inside the fascinating world of medicine.

Dr. Schwengel designed an externship experience including exposure to cardiology patients, procedures and hospital visits and provided time for me to get to know him and his associates personally.

Dr. Schwengel graduated from the University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biology and chemistry. He continued his education at George Washington University Medical School where he graduated in 1987. He was a resident at George Washington Medical School and then a fellow in cardiovascular medicine at the University of Maryland Medical Systems.

"The externship program is a great opportunity to stay connected with undergraduates and is an experience I would have liked as an undergraduate," Dr. Schwengel said when asked why he became an externship host.

Dr. Schwengel and his wife Betsy '84 are actively involved in the University's local fundraising events and attend alumni events on campus. His fondest memories of years at the University include tailgating before football and basketball games, fraternity friendships and numerous professor mentors.

Specifically, Dr. Schwengel credits John Tonzietich, professor emeritus and former premedical advisor and biology department chairman, for guiding him toward a career in medicine. Dr. Schwengel had no prior experience with medicine; however, he said that medical school was "a natural extension of my interest in science."

Dr. Schwengel is loved by patients and respected by colleagues. From this externship I learned quickly he is an inspiration to all who are fortunate to know him. He exhibited kindness, concern and compassion for treating and helping his patients. Treating patients and their families with respect a holistic approach to diagnosis and treatment, Dr.

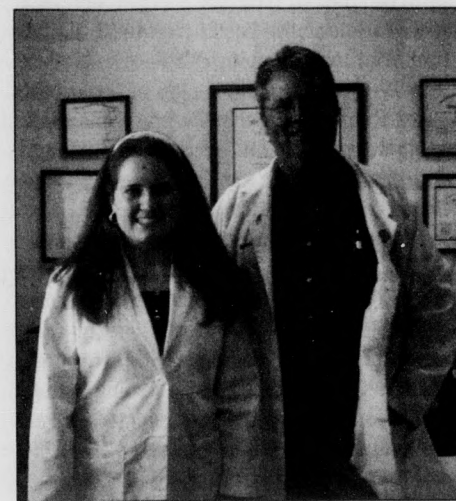


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Alexandra Costa '10 and Robert H. Schwengel, M.D. '83, stand in front of the CDC Externship program. Costa explored her interest in cardiology through this externship facilitated by the Career Development Center.

Schwengel explained his role as a specialist.

"Every patient has a primary doctor who collects all information on the patient. As a specialist, I complement the primary doctor with a detailed assessment of the patient's condition and an appropriate course of treatment."

Dr. Schwengel really connects with his patients and builds a strong patient-doctor bond. I learned that this bond allows him to better treat his patients both in the hospital and office. Dr. Schwengel remains as enthusiastic about his career choice today as he did 25 years ago when he graduated from the University.

"Everyday is different; it is always a challenge and intellectually very stimulating," he said.

The externship experience has broadened my perspective of cardiology as a medical specialty and helped me align my undergraduate priorities for a future career in medicine. The externship program brought to life my University courses, and I strongly recommend it.

For me, it was a wonderful experience, packed full of shadowing, questions, advice and reflection. I wish to thank Dr. Schwengel and the Career Development Center for an incredible experience.

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By ALEXANDRA COSTA
Writer

University students are fighting what has turned into a severe cold and flu season. Due to dormitory living, the stresses of college life and unhealthy lifestyles, students are more susceptible to such illnesses. If students don't address their symptoms properly, serious complications may develop.

While you'll feel lousy if you contract either a cold or the flu, influenza (the flu) is a viral infection. Its symptoms are usually much worse than a cold and can even result in hospitalization and pneumonia.

Flu symptoms usually include high fever, headache, muscle aches, chills, extreme tiredness and dry cough. You may not display every symptom, but it is common to have most of them. Fever, headache and sore throat are common with the flu; whereas the cold has a persistent cough and sore throat.

If you aren't feeling any improvements in a few days you should consult a physician.

There are ways to fight both colds and the flu. Some suggestions from WebMD are listed below.

Better Late Than Never — It's not too late to get a flu shot. According to WebMD, 200,000 people in the United States are hospitalized every year from flu complications, so get your flu shot yearly. The flu shot prevents against one of three influenza strains. The shot does not always prevent the flu, but can make symptoms less severe.

Be a Polite Sneezee — Cough and sneeze into a tissue or into your elbow or hands. Wash your hands immediately afterward.

Keep Your Hands Away from Your Face — Don't touch your eyes, nose or mouth. This prevents germs from entering your body. And if you are ill, keep germs from entering your friends' bodies as well by not touching their eyes, noses or mouths.

Technology Wash-Up — Don't forget to wash any shared surfaces (like phones and keyboards) with anti-bacterial wipes. Bacteria can live on surfaces for several hours and easily infect you.

Kindergarten Lesson No. 1 — Don't forget to wash your hands frequently! Use an alcohol-based gel if you don't have access to water. Doctors live by this rule and you should too.

Live Healthy — Exercise regularly and eat healthy food to boost your immune system and stay strong.

If you or a friend begins to feel cold or flu symptoms, call health services at 570-577-1401.



Grad assistant paints Bull Run mural

Ella Watson puts the University and the community into her artwork

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

As if the Bull Run Inn didn't already attract tons of visitors with its menu, it may entice even more patrons with the murals that now grace its walls. The murals, which were begun in July 2007 and completed the following September, started under some rather fascinating circumstances.

They began with Ella Watson, graduate assistant for sculpture in the art and art history department at the University. She had been sitting at the bar in the Bull Run Inn one summer night and decided she wanted to paint a mural. Though hesitant to ask the owner, her friend encouraged her to do so.

She took a chance and yelled, "Hey, I want to paint a mural in your bar!" Mike Purcell, owner of the Bull Run Inn and former housing director at the University, told her if she was serious, she should come back the next day. He had just finished painting the walls of the restaurant and had everything in order. Since it was around midnight, he was skeptical. "I didn't know who she was or what her talents were," Purcell said.

Watson did indeed show up the next day. "I think he was kind of shocked that I showed back up. Anyway, I drew up some sketches for him and he said go at it, giving me great amounts of artistic liberty," Watson said.

About five days later, she showed up with her flip charts with each area drawn out and designed exquisitely. Watson began the project the next day. "I decided what to paint," she said. "The only thing specifically requested was the fire engine. Mike Purcell requested that because he is a volunteer fireman."

"She went to work every day," Purcell said. "It made her very happy." Watson worked for hours each day before going to her other two jobs. She would begin early in the morning and finish at about 11 a.m., depending on the day. Sometimes she would work for eight hours, but the mural never felt like work to her. "It was a great way to start off the day and the physical pain was always worth it," Watson said.

At one point, Watson became ill. But while she painted, she felt much better. She believes the painting almost physically healed her. To her, it was a sign she should be an artist. Although the salary may not be great, it is something she loves. She worked for 217 hours over 48 days, or essentially, two months.

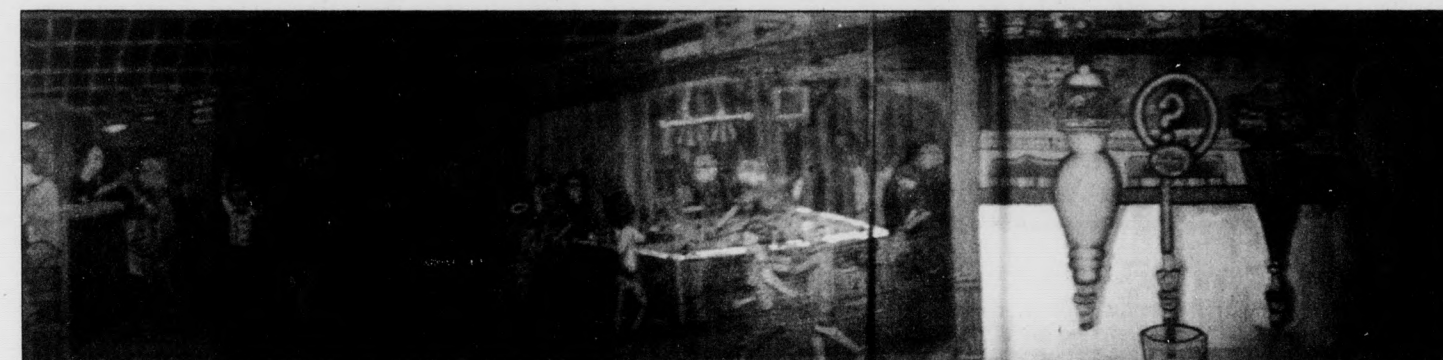
Watson hopes the murals serve as a conversation topic for patrons of the Bull Run Inn. She also hopes the murals will remind future diners of the great history Lewisburg and the University have. Another goal relates more

to her area of study: painting, printmaking and sculpture. "I hope it will remind people that art is alive and well and to be appreciated, and that skilled artists do still exist," Watson said.

Twenty-five of the characters in the mural are based on real people. Watson's roommate, Ace, is portrayed in the red dress with spades. Ace's cat is also pictured. Other characters have personal significance as well, such as one of Watson's friends who is the girl wearing a red shirt with a yellow star. Watson herself is also in the mural, sitting in the booth with this girl.

"I am the artist, so I am in my painting pants," she said. Her one social commentary portrayed in the mural is of the reliance on cell phones. There is only one character, a man, who is on a cell phone in a dark corner by the bathroom. Watson wanted to display her belief that some people spend too much time texting and staring at phones and never appreciate the world around them.

Indeed, Ella Watson has left her mark on both the University and Lewisburg through her amazing murals. She says she would love to display her artistic talents for the Lewisburg community in other ways if the opportunity arises.



Photos by Alex Katner—The Bucknellian

The Bucknellian Crossword

ACROSS

- Seductress
- Applaud
- Praise
- Hunter in the night sky
- Sprints
- In addition
- Ice house
- Creative
- Picture problem
- Pool technique
- Snoop
- Keats piece
- Agitated
- Sultry speech
- Chemical cousin
- Whispers sweet nothings
- Point in the right direction?
- History assignment
- Pool technique
- Step
- It holds the line
- Kind of car
- Superchargers
- Increased
- Kitchen counter?
- Dude
- Cattle call
- Pool technique
- Barley beads
- Petting zoo animal
- Town
- Cold cuts, e.g.
- Encourage
- Macho dude
- Fair in love and war
- Baby blues
- Used to be

DOWN

- Empty
- Mythological ship
- Factory
- deck
- Construction site sight
- Stay in the shadows
- Against
- Hitchcock classic
- Big pooch
- Some flours or cleaners
- Take over
- Small boat
- Not at all
- Slacker
- Trim and tidy
- Shred
- Joint problem
- Turning around and around
- Office
- British
- Eye affliction
- Letterman's network
- Retro hairdo
- Scraped (out)
- Lobster-like
- Miscalculated
- Impolite dinner sound
- Irish accent
- Kill illegally
- Dry (off)
- Memory units
- Cry from a crib
- Bloody



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Black History Alive

7th Street House creates interactive tour depicting trials and triumphs throughout African-American history



Photo courtesy of Lynn Pierson
Bryan Coleman '11 portrays Barack Obama as one of the politicians of today. Coleman, acting as Obama, answered questions about the presidential candidate's stance on key issues.



Photo courtesy of Lynn Pierson
Loretta Miller '09, Erica Lopatofsky (grad. student) and Lee Saville-Andree performed at Black History Alive. Lopatofsky made a presentation about the Harlem Renaissance; Miller sang and Saville-Andree played piano as part of this presentation.

BY RAJAA QADRI
Senior Writer

Every year, the 7th Street House produces a program called Black History Alive. It is held during February—Black History Month—and aims to artistically explore and represent important aspects of black history.

If you were to go to the 7th Street house for "Black History Alive" this year, you might expect to come out with more information about African-American history and an opportunity to talk to professors, faculty and students. That was what I had in mind when I went to 7th Street House Sunday.

I heard from people that residents of the 7th Street House were presenting Black History Alive differently this year, but actually reliving the eras of black history was not what I expected.

When I arrived, I was greeted by Lynn Pierson, Assistant Director of Housing and Residential Life, who was distributing programs and directing visitors to the waiting area.

"I think the ladies of the 7th Street House did an awesome job in putting this event together. They have worked for months in organizing the event through which they could educate Bucknell community about African-American Culture and heritage," Pierson said.

The first floor was divided into two sections: One was a refreshments and waiting area,

and the other was for reflection upon returning from the tour of the house.

After munching on some fruit and waiting a few minutes, I began the tour of the house. My group of eight was led to the basement to learn about the slavery era, from the 1600s to 1865. We were given flashlights before going inside.

Gloomy music and darkness welcomed us as we entered the basement. There were black rags hanging from the ceiling and walls. With the help of the flashlights, we read the writings on the walls about notable slaves such as Thomas Johnson, Harriet Tubman and Quobna Ottobah Cugoana. The room also held prominent books about slavery and audio recordings of slaves telling their stories.

"Anyone can go and read info about slavery and the African-American struggle for freedom from books and documentaries. We want you to have a feel of what it's like to be in that environment," said Winnie Okello '09, who was leading the tour of the slavery room.

The stairways and hallways of the first floor were lined with excerpts from the Emancipation Period of 1865-1919.

Once on the first floor, we were taken to a room about the Harlem Renaissance, which was from 1919-1935. We paused at the door to listen to an audio clip of a speech by Philip Randolph, an activist in the Renaissance. We

were welcomed to the room with live piano and Loretta Miller '09 singing beautifully. Miller has been the Bucknell Idol.

"This year, we have tried to make Black History Alive more passionate; the building is beautiful, and I think there is a lot more information presented in a lot more different ways than it was last year. So I am glad that I was able to be a part of it," Miller said.

One wall of the room dis-

"We still have a long way to go and if people think that racism has stopped, they are wrong."

— Cristina Sacco '10

played a slideshow with various pictures from the period while other walls were lined with pictures and excerpts about notable musicians and poets like Paul Robeson, Louis Armstrong and Langston Hughes.

We were then led upstairs to witness the civil rights and post-civil rights movements.

The civil rights section started with a short video about Emmitt Till, a young African-American boy from Chicago who was killed for whistling at a white woman in Mississippi in 1955. This inci-

dent, along with Rosa Parks' refusal to give up her bus seat, is widely seen as the catalyst to the civil rights movement. We then walked through the second floor hallway, listening to music from the era and reading about other notable figures, such as Malcolm X and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In the stairwell from the second to the third floor, the post-civil rights era from 1975 to 1995 was represented with a visual display saluting people who played a key role in the African-American experience at the time, such as Afeni Shakur, Barbara Jordan and Toni Morrison. The stairwell also showed people who were considered detrimental to the civil rights movement, such as Ronald Reagan, David Duke and Clarence Thomas.

This section also talked about major events in this time period, like the crack epidemic and the Los Angeles riots.

Lastly, we were taken to the modern period, which included politics and racism. The politics room featured current African-Americans in government, as well as Bryan Coleman '11 portraying senator Barack Obama. Coleman answered a set of questions about his political campaign in order for people to be able to see where he stands on issues.

The rest of the third floor focused on how racism still affects America.

"We have tried to make this a little interactive by lining the walls with racial slurs and then

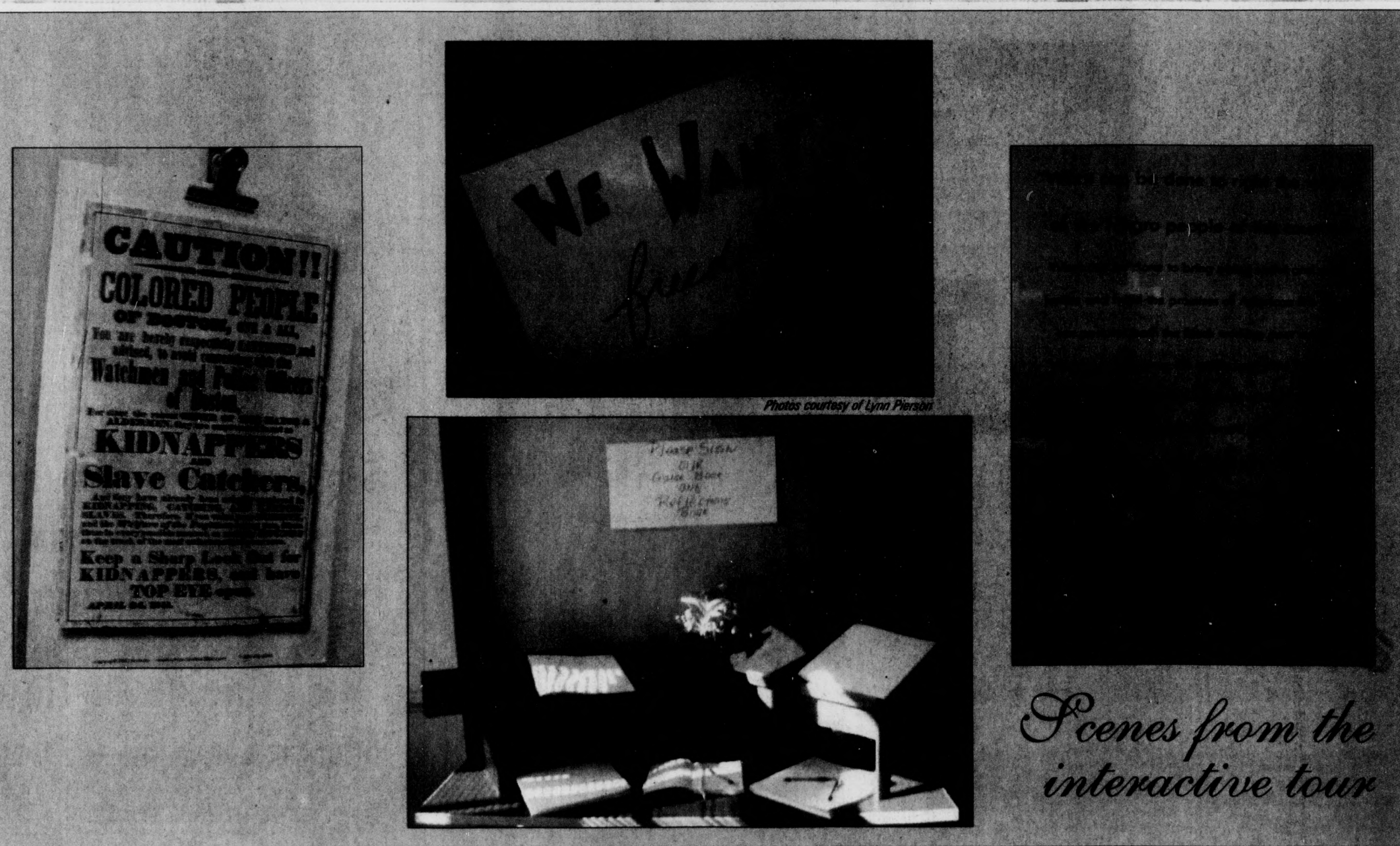
leaving some sticky notes so that if we have left something out, people could add that to the wall. The fact that these slurs exist is a proof that that racism still exists in our society, and people are continuously becoming a victim of it," Rudo Mawema '09 said.

Information about the "Jena 6" and the Megan Williams kidnapping were provided in fliers. Nooses were hanging from the ceiling, and a slide show and audio recordings discussed people who have recently become victims of hate crimes, sometimes losing their lives.

"The racism room was scary and touchy. It makes us think that these issues still exist and that the struggle of the African-American people has not stopped. It reminds me that we still have a long way to go and if people think that racism has stopped, they are wrong," Cristina Sacco '10 said.

After the racism portion, our tour officially ended and we returned to the first floor to reflect on what we had seen with Assistant Professor of English James Peterson and Associate Professor of History Leslie Patrick.

"There was definitely a lot of information provided, and I think I will get out of the house with a better understanding of the culture and the struggle of African-Americans. I also liked the way they formatted it from one room to the other. It was an absolutely amazing experience," Lindsay Smith '10 said.



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Scrumptious Seafood

Features Editor Sara Roth gives a glowing review of the food, staff and atmosphere at the Temperance House.

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Downtown development is explored

BY MICHELLE LAXER
News Editor

The University took its first steps towards potential downtown development this week with a survey of two Market Street properties. The possibility of moving campus facilities downtown stems from the strategic plan and the "Building Bridges" objective.

Wednesday's surveys of 400 Market Street and 416 Market Street are to determine whether the buildings will be suitable for intended uses, such as a University bookstore, administrative office buildings and retail space for local businesses. A multi-level, structured parking facility may also be considered

if needed. Infrastructure, historical background and architecture of the buildings are all considered. Agreements will be made with building owners if the University decides to purchase the properties.

Charles Pollock, vice president for external relations, believes the developments will benefit both the University and Lewisburg.

"They create a really exciting and positive feedback loop by assuring and advancing the well-being, the vibrancy and the economic health of downtown Lewisburg," he said. "As Bucknell prospers, it's able to do more good for Lewisburg."

Pollock said moving University

properties downtown could only support the businesses more than before. A bookstore downtown would have longer hours and more inventory, drawing even more students to Market Street businesses. Due to the early phases of development, it has not been decided whether a "satellite" store would remain on campus.

The people working in the new potential office spaces could utilize downtown restaurants for lunch and shop downtown more often. A thriving downtown economy, according to Pollock, may even attract new businesses and private developers. He also

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The buildings in orange represent the two properties the University wants to purchase. Relocating the bookstore downtown is under consideration.

Greek Week is Greek no longer

BY SUSAN MISUR
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

The University has officially replaced Greek Week with BU Olympics as a way to include the entire student body in the formerly Greek-exclusive event.

BU Olympics will be held the week after House Party weekend from April 2 through April 5, according to David Goodwin, interim assistant director of fraternity and sorority affairs. All students on campus will have the opportunity to register, compete in teams and accumulate points to win prizes.

Greek Week, which was traditionally held before House Party weekend, allowed only the University's Greek chapters to compete against each other in games and challenges.

"BU Olympics is a way to open up some programming and some fun events to everyone on campus and make the event more encompassing," Goodwin said.

The Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs, the Athletics Department, the Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) and members of the Panhellenic Council and Interfraternity Council (IFC) have been discussing the idea and organizing the event for the past few months.

The idea of changing Greek Week has been brought up prior to this year, according to Lewis Marrara, assistant dean of students and director of fra-

ternity and sorority affairs. Many Olympic events will start at 7 p.m. and remain the same events of Greek Week, though some new challenges will be incorporated. The wing eating competition will be returning, though the chariot races will not due to liability issues and time constraints, Goodwin said.

A talent show, ultimate relay and volleyball competition will also be organized, Nicole Falcaro '09 said. Falcaro helped organize the event as a SAAC representative.

"Many athletes aren't allowed to go Greek because of the time commitment or because rush is during their season," she said. "But I'm not sure if a lot of athletes will get involved in the olympics because it's such a Greek thing."

Goodwin said the Athletics Department and SAAC were involved because "when you look at event like this that's typically group oriented, and with so many Greek and athletic organizations on campus, it makes sense to a point they'd be interested in participating in a group event of this nature."

We're not shattering or breaking any walls, but we

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This semester, University Dining Services and Parkhurst Dining Services brings international cuisine to the Bostwick menu. Read the full story on A3.



Top: Jeff VanSant, assistant director of resident dining, displays featured food from Vietnam. Bottom: Hemisflavors ingredients for Thailand. Foods from Greece, India, Mexico, and Morocco have also been served.

University women teach local girls about science

BY BETHANY LAVINS
Staff Writer

The University's Women's Resource Center (WRC) held a Girls Play Fair event Saturday for local girls aged 9 to 12. The three-hour event focused on promoting science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) careers among young women and teaching them negotiation skills to realize equal pay in the workplace.

Over 30 girls gathered in the Terrace Room to participate in the event.

The event was made possible through a \$3,700 grant, coined "Negotiating Cents for Women" by WRC Director Micheala Denny. The WRC received the grant from the American Association of University Women Leadership and Training Institute.

Their grant was one of 10 distributed nationally. Its purpose, claimed Denny, was to help decrease the pay gap by encouraging women in science careers to bring a series of events to campus focusing on women in the

sciences. "Women can do just as well and are just as talented as men in these careers and we need more of them," Denny said.

The grant was also used for the STEM resume workshop in association with the Career Development Center and Alumni Relations and will help bring speaker Sarah Laschever, co-author of "Women Don't Ask," to campus in the spring.

Before the event even began, a group of excited parents and their daughters

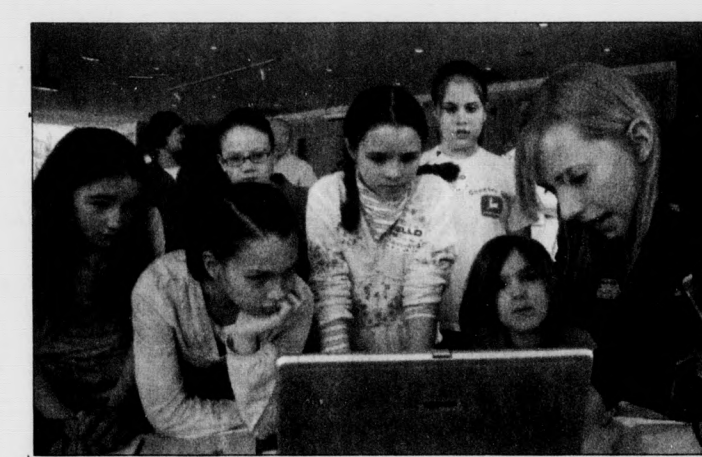
had already formed outside the doors.

Having heard about the event through local newspapers and campus e-mails, parents jumped at the opportunity to expose their daughters to the science careers.

"It's hard to explain to your kids ... all [that] is out there to do without something like this," said parent Melissa Kilgus.

Angela Hummel, who brought her daughter Courtney and two of her

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Amey Miskiewicz '09 shows local girls computer programming software called Alice. Girls Play Fair was this Saturday.

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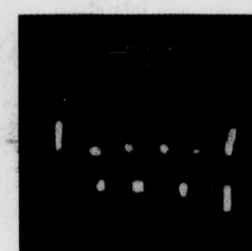
The University is eyeing up downtown property for a new bookstore. Should it get rid of the LC bookstore?



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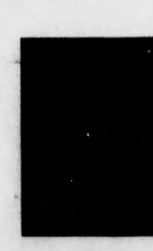
A&E offers some warm-weather tunes in preparation for spring break.



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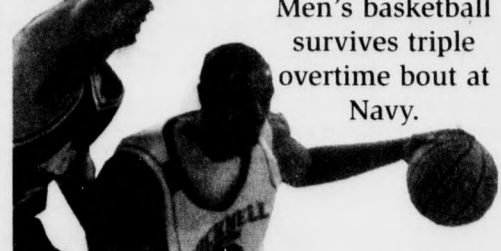
The Essentials gives tips on how to be travel savvy wherever your adventures may take you.



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SPORTS

Men's basketball survives triple overtime bout at Navy.



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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, Feb. 27	ALARM / FIRE—Biology Building: Caused by contractors working.	TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT—Bucknell West: Judicial Referral.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Swartz Hall: Under investigation.
Thursday, Feb. 28	ALARM / FIRE—Kress Hall: Caused by burnt food.	WELFARE CHECK—Smith Hall: Student located.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Dana Engineering: Under investigation.
Friday, Feb. 29	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	DISORDERLY CONDUCT—Phi Kappa Psi: Judicial referral.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Sigma Phi Epsilon: Under investigation.
Saturday, March 1	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION—Gerhard Fieldhouse: Judicial referral.	INFORMATION / PROPERTY LOST—43 South Sixth St.: Under investigation.
Sunday, March 2	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.	ASSIST OTHER AGENCY / POLICE—Larison Hall: Assist Lewisburg Police Department.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—Vedder Hall: Under investigation.
Monday, March 3	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	VEHICLE ACCIDENT—Gateways Lot: Report filed.	PROPERTY / FOUND—Botany Building: Recovered property.
Tuesday, March 4	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	THIEF—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—McDonnell Hall: Damage to bathroom.
Wednesday, March 5	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	THIEF—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—McDonnell Hall: Damage to bathroom.
Thursday, March 6	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	THIEF—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—McDonnell Hall: Damage to bathroom.
Friday, March 7	ALARM / FIRE—Bucknell West: Cause unknown.	THIEF—Roberts Hall: Under investigation.	CRIMINAL MISCHIEF—McDonnell Hall: Damage to bathroom.

Olympics replace Greek Week

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want to start building up overall sense of community," he said. "Students might be part of Greek life or other groups or are athletes, but we're all still Bucknellians."

Mary O'Sullivan '09, president of the Panhellenic Council, said many Greeks have been positive about the change and that one of Panhellenic's and IFC's goals this year was to make more events accessible to the whole campus.

Jason VerNooy '08, Tau Kappa Epsilon brother and peer advisor, agrees the change from Greek Week to BU Olympics is a good one.

"I think it will be a great opportunity for the Greek and independent students on campus to come together for some friendly competition," he said.

Katie Conway '10, who is not involved in Greek life, was excited when she heard the University would be holding campus-wide olympics.

"If we're having olympics, I'd definitely be interested and want to watch some of the events," she said.

Girls Play Fair held on campus

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friends to the event agreed.

"It [is] really important to get to them as they are exploring careers, and they can have a whole lot of fun," she said.

Professor of History Martha Verbrugge opened the event, asking the girls to draw a picture of what they thought a scientist looked like. She reminded them scientists come from all different cultures, ethnicities and backgrounds and that there is no set "scientist" stereotype.

She gave the girls a brief presentation of the accomplishments of some of the most famous women in scientific history, including En Hedu'Anna, Sarah E. Goode, Marie Curie and Valentina Tereshkova.

"It's exciting, interesting and fun to learn about science and engineering," said Verbrugge.

The girls then broke into five groups and moved in 10 minute intervals through a series of five tables, staffed by volunteer students from the different disciplines.

Mechanical engineering student Lauren Fohl '10 was enthusiastic about the program.

"I think as a kid I would have loved something like this," she said. "It's important to get the kids interested in engineering and how things work at an early age."

Girls participated in a variety of interactive activities at each table, receiving gold chocolate coins for participation and initiative.

They learned about friction at the mechanical engineering table by participating in an experiment moving gelatin cubes between containers. Different lubricants such as soap and canola oil were applied, and the girls saw how each affected the mobility of the cubes.

At the biology table, the

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girls learned about genetics, chromosomes, genes and alleles by building their own genetic organisms out of candy.

Using electronic snap circuits kits at the electrical engineering table, they constructed a variety of machines, each with a unique function, from Frisbee flying gadgets to musical doorbells.

Many of the girls, when questioned, named the chemistry table as their favorite station at the event. It taught them about everyday chemicals and their interactions. The girls made their own ice cream and combined the ingredients with liquid nitrogen, stirring the foaming mixture until it solidified.

At the computer science table, the girls learned how computer programs can be used to generate graphics, comparing animation in a 1984 Pixar clip to the images generated for the short before the 2007 movie "Ratatouille."

Denny ended the event talking about the importance of negotiation in the workplace. She encouraged the girls to speak up for themselves to get the compensation they deserved.

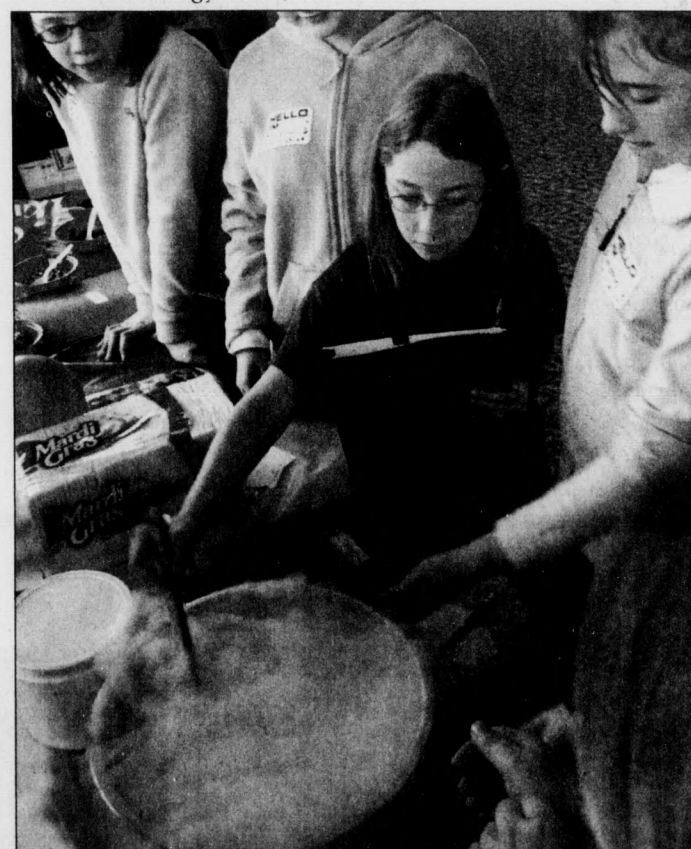
To reinforce the message, the girls negotiated for prizes with the coins they had earned. Although some were shy at first, they soon began to barter confidently to get what they wanted.

For its first year running, the event seemed to be an overwhelming success. Both the girls and their parents had nothing but praise for the event.

"It was very fun and I hope to go back every year," said Courtney Bissek of Kelly Elementary in Lewisburg.

Lexi Colestock of Priestly Elementary in Northumberland agreed.

"It was very, very fun, and I learned a lot," she said.



Girls used liquid nitrogen to make ice cream at the chemistry station during Girls Play Fair. Participants were between nine and 12 years old.

Peter Koch—The Bucknellian

Installation begins for access system

By ABHAY AGARWAL
Staff Writer

An electronic access control system is being implemented as part of a comprehensive plan for the University's development. In the short term, the change will be applicable to all residential buildings on campus with the exception of Bucknell West.

Chief of Public Safety Jason Friedberg mentioned several reasons for this implementation, including improved monitoring and better security and centralized operations for all management of security on campus.

"The administration has always been concerned with safety measures. This is just another means to ensure that purpose," Friedberg said.

Even though the long term project is expected to last approximately seven to 10 years, the immediate phase of the project will be completed before the start of the fall semester. Work began Feb. 25. By then, more than 5,000 University faculty, staff and students will have their current University identity cards replaced by new ones.

"This will change the way Bucknell operates but will merely make it a safer environment to be in," Friedberg said.

Friedberg also said the new system can give different access privileges to groups of people who need to enter var-

ious buildings on campus during certain times. This preferential access will ensure effective scheduling and allow for secure movement of members of the community. This would mean the new IDs will become even more critical, since users will be required to carry it with them at all times on campus.

Another advantage of this system is anyone with an ID can be given additional privileges, should the need arise.

Students hope bringing such technology to campus does not affect the manner in which people interact with each other.

"I appreciate the efforts of Chief Friedberg to modernize the security on campus and hope that the changes due to the swipe system will not be detrimental to the dynamic of positive student interactions and our sense of community on campus," Amanda Kreger '08 said.

Dan Remley, director of the office of housing and residential life (OHRL), said several groups on campus discussed recommendations and other important aspects of the project, keeping in mind the need of the campus community. Representatives from Information Services and Resources, Public Safety, OHRL, Construction Design and the Office of Finance worked together to determine which company would be given the project.

Remley also added that in order to ensure the timely advancement of the project, buildings will have workers installing appropriate wiring and conduits for the new technology this semester. This would inadvertently lead to some disturbances and noise in the buildings, but there would be constant updates informing residents about the construction schedules for each building.

"We would like any members of the campus community to report any concerns and to respect the workers," Remley said.

A project of this kind will prevent non-community members from entering any building at any time. Traffic will thus be streamlined and modified to reflect needs on campus. Construction work in the residence halls will be temporarily halted during final exams in April so students are not disturbed as they study.

"I think that overall, once the implementation has been completed, the system will be beneficial to the Bucknell community because of the ease of building access, the decreased time necessary to lock and unlock doors and the increased security provided," Cara Jellison '08 said, who served as the student government vice president of finance last year and was involved in the planning process.

Alumna lectures on Columbian conflict

By CARLY WHITEHEAD
Staff Writer

The United States needs to approach the situation in Colombia regarding both human rights abuses and drug exportation using a multi-faceted approach rather than solely military means, said Janelle Nodturtur '07 in her Monday night lecture titled "A Witness for Peace."

Nodturtur, who is pursuing a masters degree in International Relations with a focus on peace and conflict resolution at American University, returned to campus to discuss the situation in Colombia, which she visited recently in a group of graduate students.

While in Colombia, Nodturtur traveled to urban and rural areas, interviewing citizens and displaced people regarding their daily lives and interactions with the Colombian government, paramilitaries and guerrilla groups.

"Guerrilla groups like the FARC (Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia) saw their emergence in response to the Colombian government and its manipulation of power sharing. The FARC is responsible for general terror, and they often kill civilians," she said. "They currently have 740 prisoners, 40 of which are considered high profile. Three, right now, are Americans, contractors who were hired to fly planes over the country."

Even as civilians live amidst this unrest, help from the government is hard to come by, especially for displaced people. Its close associ-

ation with paramilitaries, civilian-organized self-defense groups that often terrorize the general public just the FARC, makes most people suspect of its motives.

"Most of the displaced people we talked to expressed a general feeling that the government will not help them," she

three to four weeks," she said. The government fails to help rural areas the most. Those areas of the country are often FARC dominated, and some have no schools or roads. Still, rural areas are often targets for big companies. When rural people refuse to move to allow for those company's con-

struction sites, the paramilitaries often take action.

"Paramilitaries come in, harassing people and assassinating people. They put fear into the people. Without the threatening paramilitaries, these giant multinational companies couldn't do what they want," she said.

America's war on drugs is also affecting the daily lives of rural people in Colombia in a negative way. Production of the plant coca, which is used to make cocaine, is being targeted in the country.

"Hundreds of millions of U.S. dollars are yearly poured into eradicating coca in Colombia and funding Colombia military. The problem is that when the planes that spray the coca fly over, they are often also spraying rural people's crops for food, killing those plants too," she said.

Rural people often rely on the sale of coca to survive financially. The United States needs to take that into account as they design methods to prevent drug exportation to America, Nodturtur said.

"We need to introduce a general shift away from growing coca in those regions. The United States needs to realize this can't be done 'cold turkey.' But America is often just focused on the war on drugs," she said.

Through her program at American University, Nodturtur has the opportunity to attempt to affect change directly by meeting with the State Department and different appropriations committees in the House and Senate.

She inspired many members of the campus community.

"I was so impressed with Janelle's talk. She is an amazing example of how we can take what we're passionate about and pursue it after Bucknell," said Nora Kenney '08.

As a University student, Nodturtur was very involved, studying abroad in France and Africa and working with the Bucknell Brigade. She was also a Scholar in Service.

NEWS BRIEFS

Bucknellian Correction

The Bucknellian would like to clarify that last week's front page graph compared University tuition for 2009 to Lehigh and Lafayette's 2008 tuitions.

Kiplinger's ranks University as best value

The April edition of Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine named the University as the 11th best value in private liberal arts colleges. According to a University press release, the rankings are based on "competitive admissions rates, freshmen retention rates and the amount of financial aid rewarded for families with and without need." Swathmore College was ranked No. 1, Claremont McKenna College was No. 10 and Colgate University was ranked No. 20. The University is the largest school within the top 50 and St. Olaf College was the only other institution with an enrollment larger than 3,000. Seven of the top 10 ranked schools had enrollments half the size of the University.

Athletic director wins award

The General Robert R. Neyland Outstanding Athletic Director Award was presented to John Hardt, the University director of athletics and recreation, at the 91st Banquet of Champions Monday. The banquet was hosted by the All-American Football Foundation. Bucknellbison.com reported that Hardt just completed a term as a Chair of the NCAA Division I Football Issues Committee. Hardt also headed many major fundraising initiatives as the director of athletics.

Harvard bans men from gym

Harvard piloted new gym hours banning men from six out of 70 hours per week to allow Muslim women to exercise under their cultural and religious constraints. According to MSNBC, many men and women have voiced against the new program, deeming it as sexist and unfair. The President responded by saying that the initiative was a response to fulfill the request of the Muslim religious group on campus.

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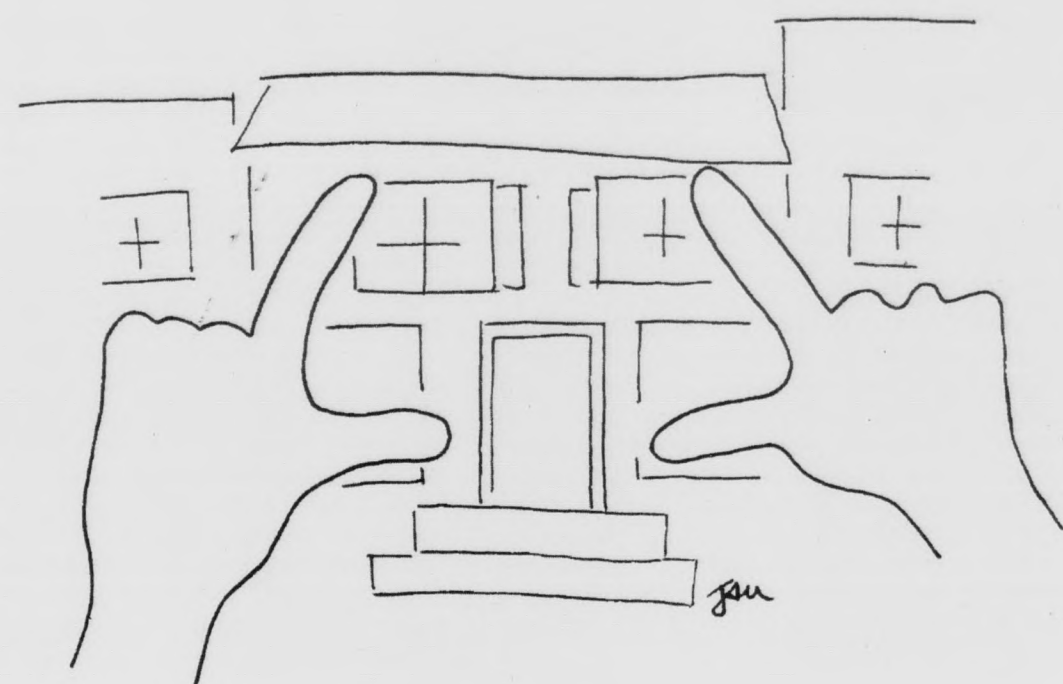
The Bucknellian EDITORIAL

Considering one piece in the downtown development puzzle

The University's proposals to purchase two Market Street properties and to place a University bookstore, an office building and an arts center downtown in the future aim to revitalize Lewisburg, as well as increase the attractiveness of the town to visitors and the community as a whole.

Indeed, University development on Market Street would increase the number of people, the amount of investment and the volume of business flowing into the downtown area, but as with every large project, many smaller considerations are involved. In this case, no plans have solidified whether or not a bookstore will remain on campus. While making this decision, the University should consider how desirable removing the store from the Langone Center would be, as well as how accessible a store on Market Street would be to all students.

The University should recognize the number of students that do not have vehicles on



campus and the possible backlash from them if they were forced to walk nearly a mile to buy textbooks, an already stressful and expensive ordeal.

Some might accuse students of lethargy, but in any context a herd of students trudging through snow or rain with 20-lb. brown paper bags filled

with overpriced textbooks does not seem desirable or necessary.

Not only would removing the on-campus bookstore pose

an inconvenience to many students, but it would also make it much more difficult to access the bookstore at all, particularly disabled or injured students, faculty and staff.

Aside from students, the bookstore on campus serves the needs of visitors as well. Basketball fans, prospective students and guests would not need to go out of their way to buy an orange tee shirt before the game, a hoodie to show off to their fellow high-school students or a keychain to add to their collection.

The University has worked closely with local and state officials, as well as local organizations, taking the necessary time to ensure that all questions are asked and properly answered. The Bucknellian believes there would be many benefits from having a bookstore downtown, both for the local community and the University, as long as all of the people effected have their concerns addressed.

Bruce's talk provided no intellectual stimulus

By CARL BEIEN
Contributing Writer

Last semester the Conservatives Club brought gun rights advocate Mike Adams to the University. While his position that students should be allowed and encouraged to carry concealed weapons on campus to promote security may have been extreme, it was well argued and backed up with (what he felt was) accurate data. He brought a clear opinion to the table and discussed it with logic. Whether you agreed with him or not, he provided a well-executed lecture.

The Conservatives Club consistently maintains that it is simply trying to bring a diversity of ideas to campus. With Mr. Adams it succeeded. Unfortunately, with this week's speaker, Ms. Tammy Bruce, these simple goals were not met.

Ms. Bruce was billed as a "Bush voting, gun owning, lesbian feminist." However, half way through the evening, she labeled President Bush as a liberal dipped in conservative paint. After going on to say that John McCain, who is more fiscally conservative and less tied to the religious right than Mr. Bush, was not fit for her vote, one wondered why she would have ever voted for the latter.

By the end of her lecture, it was clear her positions were designed to stir up controversy not to promote intelligent debate. She didn't offer justification for the few solutions she provided — just rambling, unsupported criticism.

At one point in the evening, Ms. Bruce sarcastically commented that her own dog would make a better president than any of the major

candidates. While her point was that no one on the national stage is saying the things she wants to hear is acceptable, she never offered an alternative besides, of course, her dog.

This was characteristic of her entire lecture: easy criticism lacking substantial solutions. She said hate crime legislation was not important, arguing that motivation was n't important when judging the severity of a punishment.

One wonders if Ms. Bruce would have similarly argued that murder one, two and manslaughter should all be prosecuted the same, as they all result in death. Moreover, she didn't take the time to offer a better way to deal with these types of crimes. The speaker didn't say that more education or compassion was

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required to form a more civil society. In fact Ms. Bruce didn't seem to have much to say about anything she brought up, which explains how she was able to cover so many issues in such a short lecture.

She suggested gay marriage was unnecessary, so long as gays had a kind of civil union that was separate, so long as it was equal. Jim Crow would surely have agreed.

Ms. Bruce even said that President Bush was a friend to the gay community because he had never actually done anything against them besides appearing homophobic. His proposal of a constitutional amendment against gay mar-

riage was irrelevant, she said, because it didn't get through the Senate. Perhaps she would also argue attempted murder shouldn't be punished because no one actually gets killed.

Over the course of the lecture, the speaker ranted about why rape was bad, how recently uttering the word "no" was hampering her sex life and that if you conserve energy, you should feel comfortable calling yourself a conservative. As Ms. Bruce jumped carelessly from one poorly executed talking point to another, one wondered whether she had seriously contemplated any of them.

At the end of the evening, her talk yielded nothing one could walk away with thoughtfully. Like a stand-up comedian, she put on an entertaining show but offered no substance. Even more importantly, the bizarre positions she took do not agree with those taken by mainstream gay Republican organizations. To this end she did the University's conservative and LGBT communities a disservice. For anyone curious as to how rational, thoughtful, gay Republicans explain their views, check out the Log Cabin Republicans, the nation's largest Republican LGBT group at www.logcabin.org.

Next time a group wants brings a speaker to campus, they should bring someone who can heighten the caliber of the dialogue on their issue, as was done with Mr. Adams. After his lecture, the BUCC was able to host a student run discourse on the subject, because he brought enough ideas to the table to talk about them later.

Ms. Bruce, however, brought us nothing. Her lecture was just bad.

My Favorite Mistake Dungeons and Dragons

By MICHAEL DIPPERY
Senior Writer

One of my professors was in France this week at a network simulation conference. That bit of technical mumbo-jumbo is not important. What is important is the text of an email he sent me last Sunday night at 12:30, in response to an email I'd sent him: "Aren't you up late for a Sunday night? Oh to be a student..."

To be a student, indeed. Little does he know that I, like most college students, am up until well later than 12:30 almost every night. This week has been no exception, since I didn't get a whole lot of work done last weekend.

No, I didn't slack off for no good reason, and I wasn't out partaking in partying, the University's favorite past time, all weekend. Instead, I was at a convention from Friday until Sunday.

I'm not going to divulge the exact nature of this convention that took up all my free time. Suffice it to say it was the type of convention that involved both dungeons, dragons, and people fighting dragons in dungeons.

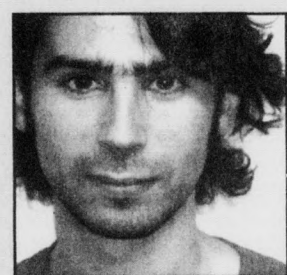
Okay, I admit it: I was at a Dungeons and Dragons convention.

There, I said it.

For those not in the know, Dungeons and Dragons (or D&D, as fans affectionately call it) is a game in which you create a character based on certain rules and criteria, then take on the role of that character (that's where the role in roleplaying game comes in) in slaying dragons, fighting evil, saving princesses, and all that other stuff you dreamed about as a kid.

It's a tabletop game, meaning you have a little plastic or metal figurine that represents yourself, and you march it around a tiled map.

Fighting, swimming, fast-talking, casting spells, and every other conceivable (or inconceivable)



action is represented by a dice roll.

Geeky? Yes. I thought so, too, before I began playing, and six years later, I still feel that way. But my opinion has changed slightly in six years, because I also see the sheer amount of fun and creativity contained in the game. Don't forget that Vin Diesel is a self-proclaimed D&D aficionado.

And although it may have been a mistake to shrug off my work, attending the convention was, in and of itself, a fun experience.

Believe it or not, I wasn't the geekiest person at the convention. Not by a long shot. In fact, while there, I felt so...normal. As in "mainstream normal." Because normal is, after all, relative.

Sure, it might seem strange to the average Bucknellian to see an oily-haired person toting around a suitcase of thick books filled with arcane lore about fictional continents. But I bet that person would think it was pretty strange to wear vinyl polka-dotted boots with sweatpants, too.

A bit of perspective never hurt anyone.

More than that, though, a weekend of roleplaying gave this former-English-major-turned-computer-scientist a chance to flex his creative muscle, something that happens all too rarely in his lecture-based computer science courses. Creativity leads to better newspaper columns—and that's something we can all enjoy.

This week's column is in honor of Gary Gyax, co-creator of *Dungeons and Dragons*, who passed away on Tuesday, March 4, at the age of 69.

Opinions

Reconsideration of leader selection needed

By CATE RUSSEL
Contributing Writer

The keynote speaker for the University's recent leadership institute was David West, the CEO of the Hershey Company. According to one organizer, the institute aims to provide students with "examples of leaders who make a difference on a daily basis." If this is the case, I have some serious concerns about their judgment with regard to what "making a difference" actually entails.

As of 2005, approximately 286,000 children between the ages of 9 and 12 worked on cocoa farms on the Ivory Coast, with as many as 12,000 likely to have arrived in their situation as a result of child trafficking. According to Human Rights Watch, "extreme poverty, sometimes combined with the deaths of one or both parents, makes children highly vulnerable to [child traffickers'] false promises of education, vocational training or paid work."

The children work for 80 to 100 hours a week. In addition they work in hazardous conditions, risking injury from the machetes they use to perform their labor as well as their exposure to dangerous pesticides.

It is almost certain the Hershey Company buys from

contractors who utilize child labor and slavery on cocoa farms on the Ivory Coast.

In 2001, after considerable negative publicity, Hershey and other major chocolate companies signed the Harkin-Engel protocol, designed to eliminate slave labor on Ivory Coast farms and to create a certification system to verify this. This protocol was signed only after Congress threatened to make them mark their products "slavery-free." None of the major chocolate firms would have qualified for this label. Even now, seven years later, they still wouldn't.

After missing their July 2005 deadline, the companies backtracked on their original goal and limited their efforts to reduce child labor by 50 percent in two West African countries by July 2008.

While Hershey plays no direct role in enforcing the Harkin-Engel protocol, Hershey's spokesman still claims "measurable progress on the ground."

In October journalist Christian Parenti traveled to the Ivory Coast to investigate the conditions on the ground. He said there have been no substantive changes, and that "there were still many children working, using pesticides, machetes, carrying heavy loads during school, unable to attend school, being injured

due to their labor."

In addition he found that the International Cocoa Initiative has one staff member stationed in the Ivory Coast. This man said that "one of the

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main problems is the moral poverty of the people... That is why we are spending so much time on education," to explain that child labor is wrong and that if it continues, the Ivory Coast will be shut out of world cocoa markets.

This is a remarkable assertion. Child labor exists because small farmers do not earn enough to support their families on their labor alone. It persists because of economic poverty, not moral poverty.

According to Barry Coates, Executive Director of Oxfam New Zealand, "the underlying

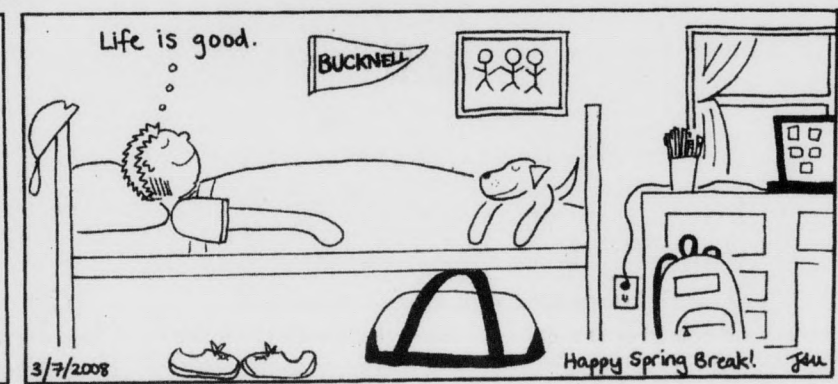
cause of child slavery is the low prices paid to the cocoa farmers and the cocoa industry has shown no indication of addressing that basic issue... The struggle to keep costs down has forced farmers to utilize all available labor—most commonly their own children—but also child slaves from the poverty-stricken neighboring countries of Mali and Burkina Faso."

If Hershey and other chocolate companies were really interested in eliminating child labor in the Ivory Coast, they would raise the prices paid to farmers.

This is not an unreasonable option for anyone who is genuinely concerned about human rights in the Ivory Coast. Multinational chocolate firms control the market there, and until 1999 there was a structure for ensuring minimum prices for farmers. The chocolate companies lobbied to eliminate that.

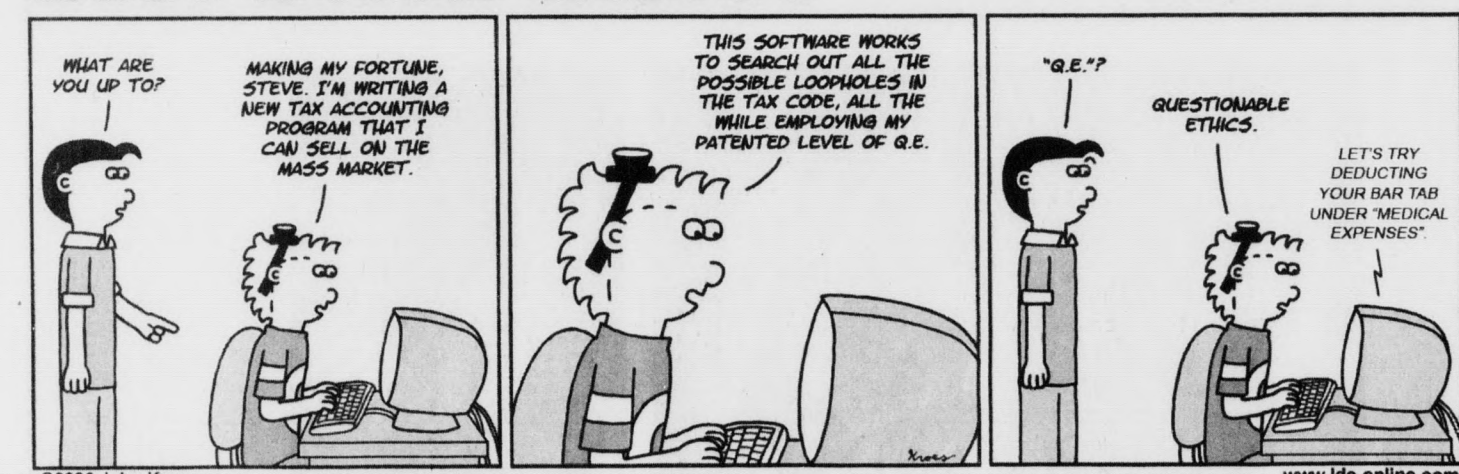
As Parenti pointed out, "if you really wanted to improve conditions for farmers, there would be an agreement to raise prices by 10 or 20 percent, and what that would mean would be that large firms like Cargill and ADM and those who buy from them, like Hershey and Nestle, would have to pay more money and would make less profits. It's that simple."

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By Juliana Su

Last Ditch Effort



By John Kroes

Barack Obama: the next great president

By TIM HOFFMAN
Contributing Writer

There are rare moments in history when we as a people are presented with a unique type of politician.

One who represents a change from the divisive nature of our politics. A person who inspires a new generation of Americans to become active in the political process and offers hope to people throughout the world. We are presently at one of those rare moments and that unique politician is Barack Obama.

Over the past year, we have witnessed a transformation in this presidential race. We have seen an underdog with a funny name, written off as a nice story but nothing else, change into a front-runner for the president of the United States. A timid man uncertain of himself in the weeks leading up to Jan. 3 (in part due to the fact that he was down in every poll over 20 percentage points) converted into a candidate exuding confidence and the swagger of a man about to deliver a knockout punch in his first crucial step towards the White House.

We have viewed an upstart campaign in Chicago morph into a grassroots movement that has swept across cities and campuses around the country. With Senator Obama's recent

success, the chorus of naysayers has grown louder and fiercer.

These cynics point to three aspects of the Obama campaign that they claim validate their skepticism. They first take the position that this recent mass movement of people into the Obama camp, in terms of donors and volunteers, is a transitory fad that will eventually tire out.

His impassioned calls for change in the status quo help people in this country have faith in a better future.

Although this recent surge is no doubt spectacular and unique, there is nothing transitory about it. The Obama team has proven to be highly capable and designed to run a mass-based grassroots campaign.

They have quickly transformed into the most formidable presidential campaign in the history of this country. It is due almost entirely to the fact that this campaign is a movement formed by millions of Americans working for change, not run and supported by spe-

cial interests and consultants. Because of this fact, the movement is here to stay.

People point out that Barack Obama is all words and no substance. It is a sad state of politics when a man is penalized and attacked by his opponents for being an uncommonly gifted orator with the ability to instill hope in millions of people. It is a rare occurrence to have a man as blessed with inspiration as is Senator Obama, and it is something to be cherished, not demoralized.

In debates and speeches, he has proven time and again to grasp not just the big picture issues, but also the nuances of policy topics. His impassioned calls for change in the status quo help people in this country have faith in a better future.

Critics have continually attacked Senator Obama for being inexperienced and ill-equipped to lead this country. This tactic seems to be the most successful, yet does not hold up. He has spent his entire adult life in public service, ranging from a community organizer in Chicago to a state legislator to a United States senator.

He has passed bills ranging from reforming the death penalty in Illinois to bills allowing the citizens of this country view where all of the tax-payers money goes in an effort to

create a more transparent federal government.

And although Senator McCain certainly has more experience than Senator Obama, that experience means nothing without sound judgment. Barack Obama has displayed this type of sound judgment throughout his career, a primary example being his opposition to the war in Iraq from the very beginning.

Some of the greatest presidents this country has seen, Lincoln and Kennedy, to name only two, were tagged with this same charge of inexperience. They proved that there is more to being president than experience. It is something that no amount of experience can give. It is that intangible quality, that mixture of awesome charisma and bold vision that allows good men to be great presidents.

Millions upon millions of people throughout the world now view Barack Obama as someone who possesses this intangible quality. Only time will tell.

"At each and every junction of our history, somebody's been audacious enough to say we can do something different. And more often than not, it's been young people who've done it."

- Barack Obama

Research unnecessary for tenure applicants

By MAX LOSTEIN
Contributing Writer

Higher education serves two functions: the creation of knowledge and the dissemination of knowledge. While one could write books addressing tenure policy holistically (and some have), tenure policies at the University do not reflect its stated number one priority: educating its student population.

Tenure's intended purpose is to promote academic freedom for those interested in less socially acceptable subjects and to cultivate an ideal laboratory for intellectual activity. At the University, tenure is granted to professors in their sixth year if they are able to pass an extensive review administered by the University Review Committee, consisting of four tenured, elected faculty members and three administrators. This review is the third of similar evaluations conducted every two years when achievements in teaching, scholarship and service to the University are all analyzed.

Factoring into each of these categories are student evaluations (yes, they actually do matter), the opinions of peers within a professor's department and opinions of credible sources from within their field. Currently, it is impossible to be granted tenure based solely on stellar achievement in the classroom or outstanding professional accomplishments. Both are required but there is a slight bias in the prioritization of education.

The fact that research is required implies one of two things: Either the University believes that the creation of knowledge is so worthwhile that every professor must contribute to that end or that scholarly activity has an indirect effect on one's teaching ability. Given that time invested in being professionally productive can only come from less time being devoted to teaching, there can be only one truly appropriate rationale for requiring research: to augment educational quality and not to pursue goals that are irrelevant to the University's education agenda.

Does producing scholarly works actually improve the experience of University students at large? There are many different viewpoints. Some say research is the only process ensuring one has analyzed the subject matter to the degree necessary to teach. Alternatively, you could argue research keeps one aware of new developments in the field, essential to ensure the information being communicated is valuable and accurate.

The validity of these arguments is based on additional

assumptions that seem suspect. First, the process of acquiring an advanced degree, requiring conducting some form of research, may not guarantee one has deeply analyzed the subject matter, and secondly, all fields are changing at such a rate that one must stay current or face the possibility of teaching outdated material.

I suggest that achieving the highest possible academic distinction is a sign one has made a significant investment in the discipline. Furthermore, awareness and currency are not byproducts of productivity—they are byproducts of passion and interest, oftentimes leading to productivity. In considering tenure applicants, the University should consider their passion for the subject matter. This will not only be instrumental to inspiring students but will also have an effect on that faculty member's willingness to stay current with developments in their fields.

Although I cannot attest to some of the humanities, I can say with relative certainty the content of some introductory courses in mathematics and science has not changed dramatically enough in the last 20 years to merit any syllabus overhauls. Even in the more rapidly changing fields, cutting-edge advances are likely only relevant in higher-level courses, if at all, and probably won't even be mentioned in introductory ones.

Research topics are very specific and must be in order to be meaningful. This reduces the informative value of individual research projects to the point where courses address many different studies, effectively reducing the importance of a single study to very little from a curricular standpoint.

The likelihood of a University professor participating in the kind of research that fundamentally changes any given discipline is slim, given that University professors are required to spend a much larger percentage of their time teaching, and thus, they are truly at a competitive disadvantage when it comes to generating groundbreaking research.

There are benefits to having professionally active professors on campus, such as providing students opportunities for first-hand research experience, but this is not a valid reason for requiring professional productivity for tenure. While administrative policy should encourage research during the length of a professor's career (through course exemptions, sabbaticals, pay raises, etc.), the University should not mandate research requirements for tenure applicants.

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Currently listening to: the Red Hot Chili Peppers.
Favorite vacation spot: Key West, Fla.
Favorite thing to do in Lewisburg: stay on campus.

Favorite movie: "My favorite movie is between 'Fight Club' and 'Little Miss Sunshine'," she said. "I think 'Fight Club' is my favorite film and 'Little Miss Sunshine' is my favorite movie."

Favorite historical figure: Thaddeus Stevens, a leader of the Radical Republicans during the late 1800s.

Martha Holland

Research services specialist at Bertrand library



Currently reading: many books at the moment. Among the titles are "The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time," "A Tale of Two Cities," "Gideon's Trumpet" and "The Grace That Keeps This World."

Currently listening to: "I usually listen to old-timey music," Holland said. She enjoys fiddler and mountain music, especially that of Bob Taylor.

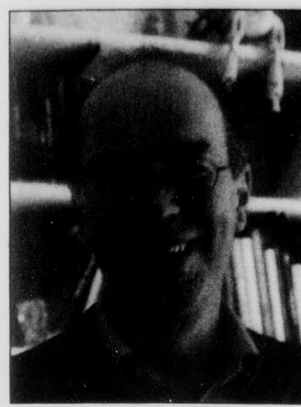
Favorite vacation spot: the northern part of the Outer Banks, N.C. But she also likes "any place to take my dogs that they can romp and play in woods or water."

Favorite thing to do in Lewisburg: take her dogs for walks at either Dales Ridge or Molasses Gap Trail, and riding her horse at Fox View Farm.

Favorite Movie: "O Brother, Where Art Thou?"

Harold Schweizer

Professor of English and Department Chair



Currently reading: "The Death of Adam: Essays on Modern Thought" by Marilynne Robinson. "It is a fierce and angry book," he said.

Currently listening to: Renee Fleming, an opera singer.

Favorite Vacation Spot: a high mountain valley in Switzerland called Engadin, which he said was very beautiful.

Favorite thing to do in Lewisburg: kayak down the Susquehanna River.

Best movie he has recently seen: "The Life of the Others."

Favorite historical figure: "It's a fascinating question." Continuing to ponder this question for a few more minutes, he finally settled on Professor Sandra Morris of the English department.

Alex Anolik '11

Currently reading: "Norwegian Wood" by Haruki Murakami and Jay Rubin.

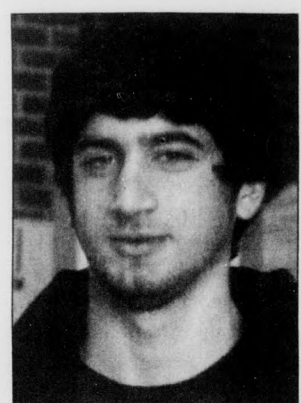
Currently listening to: Los Campesinos! which he also plays on his show on the University radio station.

Favorite spot in Lewisburg: the Campus Theatre.

Favorite movie: Back to the Future Part II.

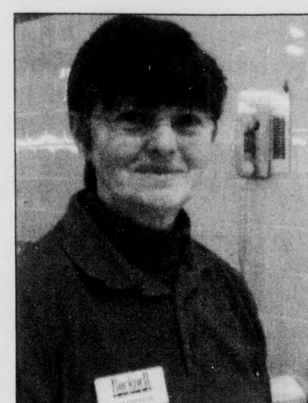
Favorite historical figure: Benjamin Franklin. "He's so awesome in many ways. He had 50 illegitimate children in France. He turned down the presidency and he wrote two books."

However, Anolik claims that the aspect of Benjamin Franklin's life that most piques his interest is that, "He used to spend every Sunday naked on his front lawn."



Barbara Day

Bostwick Marketplace Employee



Currently listening to: oldies or country music.

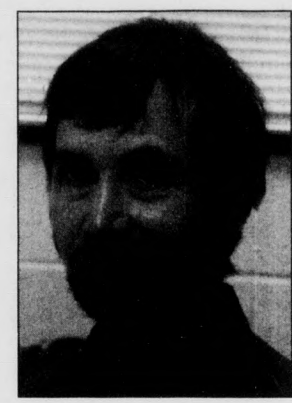
Favorite vacation spot: New Mexico. "I would like to go back some day."

Favorite thing to do in Lewisburg: "Probably bring my grandbaby down to the park."

Favorite movie: Anything with Goldie Hawn.

James Swan

Associate professor of Chemistry



Currently Reading: "Jesus for the Non-Religious" by John Spong.

Currently listening to: "It depends on my mood and the situation," he said. Among his music collection are albums by Mark Morganelli, an alumnus, Eddie Daniels, who plays the jazz clarinet, and John Mayer. Mayer's album, "Room for Squares," features a periodic table on the disc.

Favorite vacation spot: The Deer Head Inn in Delaware Water Gap, Pa.

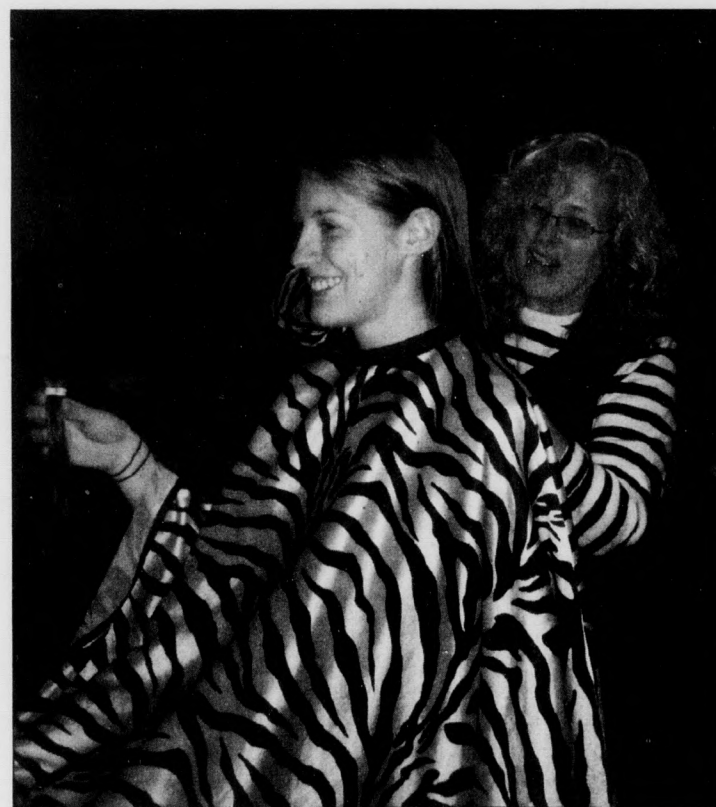
Favorite thing to do in Lewisburg: attend performances at the Weiss Center.

Favorite movie: "The Philadelphia Story" (1940), which stars Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn, and James Stewart.

Favorite Historical Figure: Linus Pauling, a very influential chemist who won the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1954 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1962.

Interviews completed by Tracy Lum
Photos by Alexandra Kutner and Tracy Lum—The Bucknellian

Chopping it all off for charity



Susan Mizur—The Bucknellian

229 people donated their hair for Locks of Love on Monday in the LC Center Room. The event, sponsored by Kappa Kappa Gamma, donates the hair to children suffering from medical hair loss. Anna Baker '10 had 10.5 inches of hair cut off by area hairstylist Cathy Katherman (pictured above). Baker said she started growing her hair out about a year and a half ago with the intention of donating it to the cause, while Katherman, owner of Cathy's Hair Gallery in Lewisburg said she's been cutting hair at the University's Locks of Love event for about 3 years.

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Fashion heats up this spring

By ALI BURACK
Writer

MyItThings.com's top 10 fashion favorites for spring 2008:

1. One-shoulder and asymmetrical necklines
2. Lingerie detailing
3. Ombre or dip-dyeing
4. Boyish black tie
5. Transparent and sheer fabrics
6. Neon
7. Black and white prints
8. Safari chic
9. Metallics
10. Eco-friendly labels

As spring break approaches, it seems students have one thing on their mind: warm weather. As we anxiously await the approach of break, many students have begun to envision spring on campus. Students cannot wait until the sun starts shining and we move away from snowy week-ends when we are bundled in our warmest winter gear.

But they must remember not to toss old winter clothes, as fashion always repeats itself, constantly revamping old looks by adding a contemporary flare. So pack your winter wear away for next season, and get ready to break out your flip-flops!

"I am so excited to bring my rainbows out," Meagan Gins '08 said.

On campus, rainbows seem like a staple accessory for both men and women. These comfortable leather sandals, which conform to your foot, are the essence of summer, allowing you feet to look good and be fashionable at the same time.

This year's spring runways exemplified fashion's re-inventive nature as the shows

included many trends seen before: "soft-looking women's tuxedos to revealing sheers; retro prints from the 70's to roman goddess togas; dazzling metallics to zebra and leopard prints," according to Squidoo.com's Spring 2008 Fashion Trends.

"I can't wait to go shopping and buy some new sundresses," Meredith Neely '08 said. "It feels so good not worrying about the cold weather and slipping into a sundress."

Along with Neeley and Gins, there will be many girls decked in sundresses and sandals. So as you leave for break keep in mind floral patterns are big for spring.

"Printed pattern, especially floral pattern, is broad in its fashion application. It appears not only on clothes, but also as footwear material. There is a strong footwear trend for bright color and lively pattern. The patterned footwear trend started with animal print patterns, and now we have moved on to patchwork and floral print shoes," according to Fashionista.com's Top 20

New Fashion Looks for Spring and Summer 2008.

While getting ready for spring, students should also be aware the season's fashions include outfits of bold and cheerful colors, inspired from spring 2008's runway fashions. Get ready to replace those drab and wintry colors with bright and bold choices for the spring, including "daffodil yellow, intense orange, lime green, hibiscus red, bold fuchsia, wild violet and cobalt blue," according to Suite101.com's Spring 2008 Fashion Trends. Be brave and bold in what you wear.

Men and women should not forget one crucial aspect of their spring attire: sunglasses. This accessory has become indispensable to the average American, allowing each person to add a flare to their daily attire.

In choosing your new spring purchases, one key piece of advice is to not buy something just because it is in style; instead, one should pick the pieces that have versatility and flatter your body type. So, as we await the official start of spring, start to pull out your spring wardrobe because maybe, if we are lucky, spring will be here soon.

Fruity favorites to liven up your break

Bahama Mama

- 1/2 oz. grenadine
- 1 oz. orange juice
- 1 oz. pineapple juice
- crushed ice

Combine and blend until slushy

For those over 21, add:

- 1/2 oz. light rum
- 1/2 oz. coconut rum



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Recipe from www.allrecipes.com

Strawberry Daiquiri

- 1 oz. lime juice
- 8 ice cubes
- 6 strawberries
- 2 tsp. sugar

Combine and blend until slushy

For those over 21, add:

- 2 oz. light rum



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Recipe from www.lisashea.com

The Bucknellian Crossword

ACROSS

1. Plug
6. Gator's cousin
10. Chances
14. Entertain
15. Verdi opera
16. "It's ___ real!"
17. Succeed
20. Back, at sea
21. Pennsylvania city
22. Western tribe
23. Played again
25. Juicy juice
27. Frosty
30. Old PC platform
31. Pop
32. No neanik
34. Between ports
36. Net letters
40. Succeed
43. Common sense?
44. Asterisk
45. Snake eyes
46. Brief bio
48. "Losing my religion" rock group
50. Informercials, e.g.
51. Species scientist
54. Asian region
56. Lamb's mother
57. April or May
59. Familiar with
63. Succeed
66. Manages, with "out"
67. Briefly unknown?
68. Boredom
69. No longer working (abbr.)
70. Time long ago
71. Funny woman Wanda

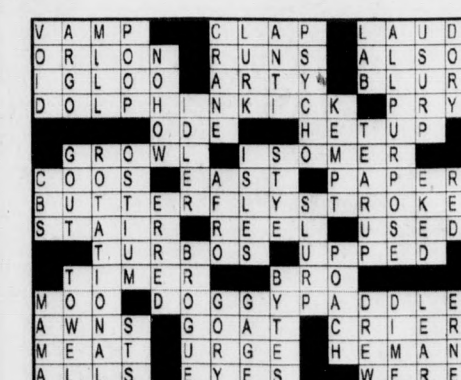
DOWN

1. Baby's first word
2. Singer Tori
3. Pound hound
4. One who puts you in your place
5. Looked
6. Web ___
7. Turn red, perhaps
8. Scent
9. Mob movie
10. Samurai sash
33. Under
35. Young newt
37. Tennis celeb Kournikova
38. Decorated a cake
39. Not as much
41. White rat, e.g.
42. Southernmost active volcano
47. Sort of
49. Mixes well
51. Yield (to)
52. Came to

53. Found a new tenant for
54. Male part
55. Microscopic
58. The flu, but worse
60. Like a dungeon
61. Not false

62. Elevator man
64. Hallelujah
65. Memphis to Nashville dir.

ByVo Crosswords



February 29 Answers

The Essentials

Everything you really need to know before you graduate

How to be a savvy traveler

By RINA VAN ORDEN
Features Editor

When planning a trip, it's easy to get caught up in the excitement of the destination and everything you'll do, but there are plenty of things to consider ahead of time to help make your trip smoother and more fun.

For any time you travel:

Get an idea of what you want to do and see before you visit a place. Check out some of the major monuments and then look for anything you have a personal interest in.

Check out restaurants, hotels and activities in travel guides like Frommer's, Fodor's and Lonely Planet, available in hard copy and online.

Be realistic when making your travel plans. Don't expect to make it to 12 tourist traps in one day, and don't try to go to five countries in one week. Before leaving, make sure you have places to stay wherever you are going – it's not a good idea to find a place once you get there.

Also, remember to be flexible. Keep in mind you'll probably meet with some sort of delay or change in plans throughout your trip. Whether you miss your flight or a museum you want to visit is closed the day you go, you're most likely going to run into bump in the road at some point. Don't let it ruin your trip – getting too upset about it will only make the situation worse. Think of it as an excuse to return someday.

Make sure your travel plans mesh well with whomever you're traveling with. If you're friend loves Van Gogh and you can't stand art museums, you might not be the best travel partners. Or if you're into extreme water sports and your friend only wants to lie on the beach all day, you might have some disconnect. Pairs like this can still travel together – you just need to be aware ahead of time so there won't be frustrations later.

No matter how you're traveling, whether it's a road trip, on a plane or backpacking, remember to pack lightly. Start off with a smaller suitcase than you would normally so you are forced to limit yourself. You do not want to be hauling heavy bags through airports, into hotels or hostels, or on and off trains.

Invest in travel size toiletries, and cut back on the number of outfits and shoes you pack. Take a small selection of make-up and jewelry rather than everything you own. Limit the number of books you pack. You probably won't get to reading them all anyway, and if you do, you can always pick a new one up during your travels.

Whether you're traveling domestically or internationally, be respectful of other cultures and cities. Try new foods and activities that you might not try otherwise. Make your experience unforgettable.

Always be conscious of your surroundings, day or night. When walking around—especially in big cities—keep your purses and bags close to your body so you're not an easy target for purse-snatchers or muggers.

If you're flying:

Always be aware of flight regulations pertaining to baggage and carry-on items. United Airlines will only allow you to check one bag under 50 lbs. beginning May 5, according to The Associated Press. For a second checked bag you will be charged \$25 and beyond that, \$100 a piece for up to four additional bags.

International flights will still allow two checked bags for free.

Overweight bags will be charged anywhere from \$100 to \$200, depending on the weight and size.

Other airlines will potentially follow United's lead, so pay attention to the amount and weight of your luggage to avoid incurring any unexpected fees.

When it comes to carry-on luggage, we now have a laundry list of items that can't be brought on board. Finish any drinks before you go through security. Place any liquid items (they must be in containers 3 ounces or smaller) in a Ziploc bag. This includes makeup, toothpaste and lotion. The bag will have to go through the x-ray in a separate bin.

Double check you've put any pocket knives or nail scissors in your checked luggage because they will be taken away.

Keep these things in mind when buying souvenirs. If you buy any liquids, you will have to check them in your luggage and the containers may spill or break. You don't want red wine staining all of your clothes. Also remember you're not going to be able to go to Japan, buy something like a Samurai sword, and expect to get it back through customs. Weapons are a no-go.

Remember that when going through security you are now required to remove your shoes. Think twice about wearing sandals so your bare feet aren't on the floor.

If you're traveling internationally:

Make sure you apply for your passport at least six weeks in advance for your trip so you're not waiting for it at the last minute. You can get expedited service but you will be charged extra. If you already have a passport, double check the expiration date before you leave.

Find out where a United States embassy or consulate is located in each city you visit so you know where to go if you have a problem. Look on www.usembassy.gov.

Before going to a foreign country, study up on a few basic words and phrases in the native language so you feel comfortable and can at least get around. It never hurts to know how to ask "How do I get to this hotel?"; "Where's the bathroom?"; or "Can I buy you a drink?" in the country's native tongue.

Call your credit card companies before you leave, and let them know that you will be traveling abroad so they don't think any charges are suspicious and put a hold on your card. Make sure you always have access to money if you encounter an emergency.

No matter where you go, have fun and enjoy yourself. A vacation is a chance for you to explore new horizons and immerse yourself in your interests. Plan ahead so that whether you're busy seeing the sights or relaxing on the beach, you're sure to have a great time.

TEMPERANCE HOUSE



The wooden wrap-around bar, pictured at left, holds an extensive wine and beer selection, as well as a variety of spirits. Customers can sit at the bar or at booths located in the bar area. The dining room, pictured above, is a good option for patrons seeking a quieter dining atmosphere.

Photos by Rina Van Orden—The Bucknellian

Local eatery offers standout seafood

By SARA ROTH
Features Editor

I have only been to the Temperance House once before for their famed "L.I.T. night." L.I.T. night, which happens every Thursday, brings students out in droves to the 50 North Second St. restaurant and bar for hefty Long Island Iced Teas, in flavors ranging from Peach to Tropical.

The atmosphere was congenial, if a little loud. I wanted to see what this neighborhood restaurant was like when students weren't clamoring in for drink specials. Also, I heard I just had to try the scallops.

My friend and I walked to the Temperance House Monday night, which was quite pleasant as the weather was starting to warm up.

We decided to get a booth near the bar, instead of the quieter dining room. The wrap-around wooden bar was buzzing with locals, most of who seemed to know one another, laughing and generally having a good time.

There were a few specials that night, including Marinated Grilled Swordfish and a Lobster Tail. The menu

highlighted seafood, but also offered steak, sandwiches, chicken and salads. Prices are very reasonable; a broiled scallop dinner was \$14.95, haddock was \$13.95 and a petit filet mignon (6 oz) was \$16.95. They also offer burgers for \$4.25 (1/4 lb) or \$4.75 (1/3 lb).

The wine list was also reasonably priced and had a good selection of both white and red wines. We tried the Clos du Bois Chardonnay for \$7 and the Hogue Riesling for \$5.25. The Clos du Bois was oaky but not too bold, a great classic Chardonnay. The Hogue was light and fruity with a citrus finish.

Although it was not on the menu, my friend wanted the Buffalo Chicken dip appetizer she had tried before. Our waitress, who was attentive and friendly, informed us that the chef could make it anyway. When the dip arrived, it was served with tortilla chips and it was fragrant and bubbling. My friend was excited we were able to order the dip, and when I tried it, I understood why. It was delicious. It was cheesy with chunks of chicken, a little spicy and absolutely addictive.

For the main course, I decided to order the crab cake and Temperance-style chicken combination, as well as a side of broiled scallops. My friend ordered a combination as well: the petit filet with broiled shrimp. Originally from Maine, I am usually wary of seafood in this area. However, all of the seafood we ate at the Temperance House tasted extremely fresh. And don't tell my mother, but I have never had scallops cooked so perfectly. They were broiled so the outside was browned and a little crispy, but not overcooked. Served with melted butter, they were perfect. Even my friend, who doesn't like scallops, admitted that they were excellent.

My crab cake was also delicious. Using lots of fresh crab, the cake was seasoned nicely and paired well with the lemony tartar sauce.

The chicken Temperance-style was surprisingly good. Sometimes it seems like no matter what you put on it, chicken always tastes the same, but my dish was char-broiled and topped with sautéed onions and mushrooms, and the combination of flavors was hearty and different.

My friend's steak was

cooked to a perfect medium but could have been pan-seared first to lock in the juices; it was slightly on the dry side. The shrimp were also a little dry, but they were fresh and well seasoned, and still thoroughly enjoyable.

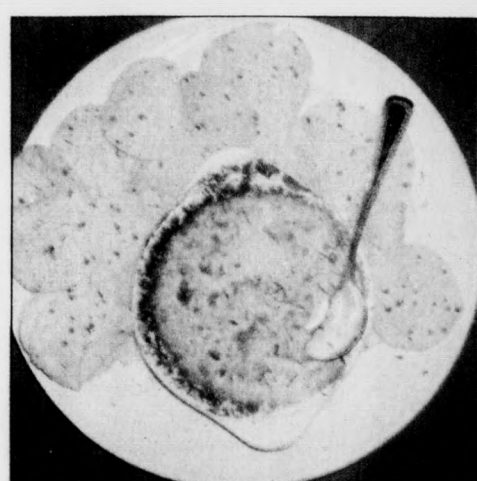
Shirley and Harry van Sickle were two of the local patrons at the Temperance House bar. "We've been coming here for more than 30 years," said Harry, who owns the Beer Barn. "The scallops are the same now as they were 30 years ago."

"We know people who always come back to these scallops. They are the best," said Shirley. She also recommends the prime rib sandwich and the weekend country specials.

The Temperance House is a great place to gather with friends, bring a date or relax at the bar.

The food is delicious, the wait staff is friendly and knowledgeable, and the clientele is warm and welcoming.

If you go, you must try the scallops. This may be Central Pennsylvania, but they taste like they were pulled straight from the ocean.



Buffalo Chicken Dip



Petit Filet Mignon & Shrimp



Chicken & Crabcake

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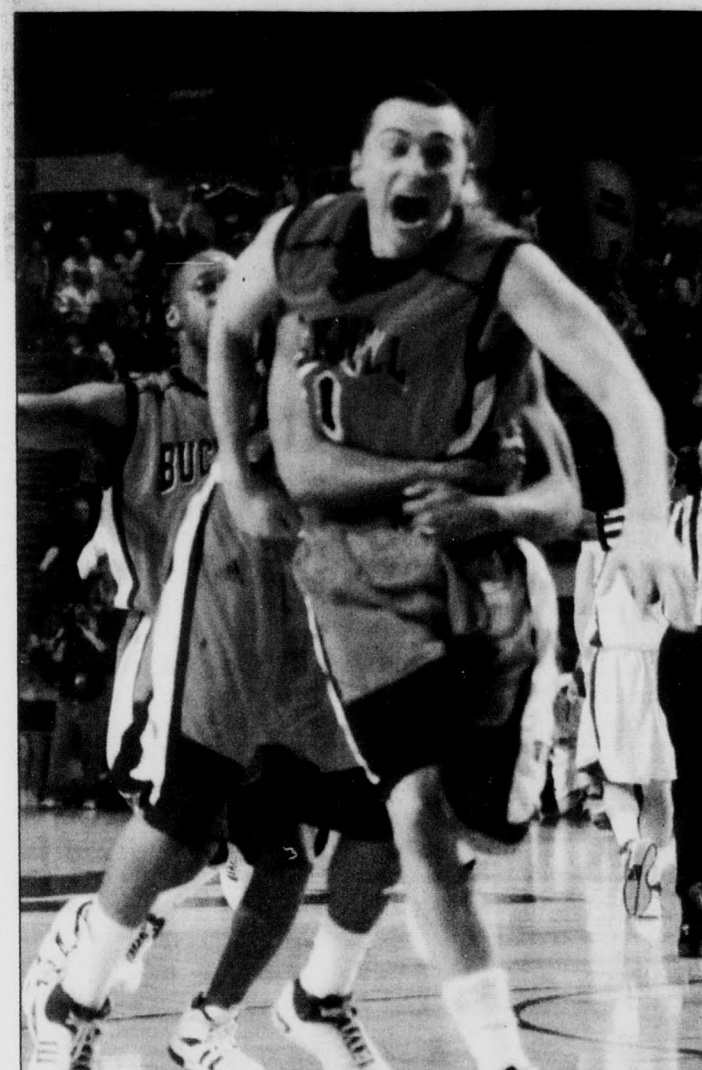
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LIVING ON A PRAYER

Griffin's miracle buzzer beater keeps NCAA tournament hopes alive for men's basketball



Griffin scored 13 of his 21 points in overtime, including his 40-foot banker to win it.

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

With his 126th consecutive game played, John Griffin '08 broke the

University record for games played. With his 40-foot bank shot as time expired in triple overtime against Navy, Griffin made sure that he—and his Bison—would get to

play at least one more time.

Bucknell 87 (3OT)
Navy 86

Griffin's fifth three-pointer of the night, and 79th of the season to tie a program single-season record, gave the Orange and Blue an improbable 87-86 victory over the Midshipmen after 55 hard fought minutes. With 3.9 seconds left in the third overtime, Navy's T.J. Topercer grabbed an offensive rebound off of a missed three-pointer and his put back gave the Midshipmen a 86-84 lead. With no Bison timeouts remaining, Justin Castleberry '09 passed the ball in to Griffin who had to get the ball up the floor and get a shot off before the buzzer. Griffin weaved his way through traffic up the floor and launched the game-winner.

"He can play on my all-team for the rest of his life," Bison Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 said of his gritty co-captain on the post-game radio show.

Griffin felt the help of the divine in making the shot that cemented the team's 17-point come from behind win.

"I must have had some Guardian Angels looking down on me," he said. "It felt good leaving my hand. I am just so proud of the way every player on the team

helped us battle back."

Griffin finished the game with a team-high 21 points and six rebounds, two days after being named to the All-Patriot League First Team. Yet, the win truly was a team effort with nine different Bison players at least 18 minutes. Darren Mastropaolo '08 scored 10 points and grabbed six rebounds before fouling out in regulation time, but

"It felt good leaving my hand. I am just so proud of the way every player on the team helped us battle back."

—John Griffin '08

then Todd O'Brien '11 grabbed the reins in his place.

"I told him he needed to play like a man and he did," Mastropaolo said of the All-Patriot League Rookie Team center, who finished the night with 12 points, six rebounds, four blocks and three steals.

With the Orange and Blue down 59-54 and under two minutes to go in the game's first 40 minutes, it was O'Brien who scored the last

five points to send the game to the first overtime. He hit one of two foul shots, dunked home the ball off of a nice feed from Griffin and then hit the game-tying lay-up with 1.6 seconds left off of another pass from Griffin. O'Brien had also blocked one of two attempts by Patriot League Player of the Year Greg Sprink on the previous possession. Sprink finished the game with a career-high 37 points, 24 of which came in the first half, but did foul out in the second overtime.

It was at the 15:42 mark of the second half that the Orange and Blue faced their largest deficit of the night, down 45-28. The team then went on a 22-5 run to tie the game at 50 with 5:56 left. Patrick Behan '10, O'Brien, Castleberry, G.W. Boon '11, Darryl Shazier '11, Rob Thomas '08 and Mastropaolo all scored for the Bison during this stretch.

"Every kid is a part of this team," Flannery said.

The Bison balance was also evident in that their bench outscored the Midshipmen's reserves, 33-7.

In addition to O'Brien's production, Castleberry scored 12 off the pine to go along with a team-high seven rebounds and four assists, and Boon added seven points, including a three-

Dance with me

Latino Dance Corner held a sold out performance and dinner in Larison Dining Hall last weekend, raising \$660 for the Bucknell Brigade.

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Saylor Says

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

Any column that I could write on the men's basketball team's victory on Wednesday would not do the game justice. That is also how I feel about anything that I would try to write about the career of Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre, who announced his retirement this week.

The 87-86 triple overtime win on Wednesday extends the Bison's season for at least one more game, while Favre has decided that January's playoff game against the New York Giants was the last for him.

Bison seniors John Griffin, Darren Mastropaolo and Rob Thomas will no doubt do everything they can to prolong their careers, playing every game now with the knowledge that a loss means there will be no more. Favre retires at a time when he

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First-Year Profile: Ryan Klipstein

By CONNIE BARKO
Senior Writer

Ryan Klipstein '11 is a member of the University men's lacrosse team who has already made significant contributions this season. During the team's second game, against Hobart Feb. 24, Klipstein netted four goals, contributing to the team's 10-9 victory.

"Ryan is definitely going to have a huge impact on the success of our team this year," teammate Joseph Mele '09 said. "As a freshman, this can be an overwhelming task for many people, but Ryan seems to be up to the challenge. He has great stick skills and is a very capable finisher inside."

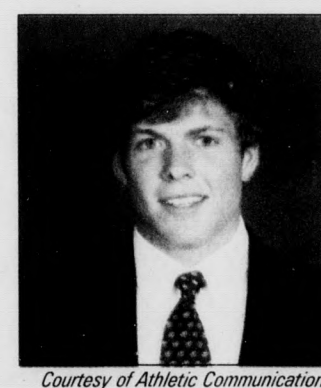
Klipstein never imagined he would be performing at such a level in his first year. In high school he was recruited late in his senior year and changed what college he was attending last.

"I actually didn't think I would get playing time until maybe my junior year," Klipstein said. "I come from a no name program in New Jersey and I didn't get looks from colleges at all."

From Calicut, N.J., Klipstein grew up around lacrosse. He started playing very early because his father played in high school.

"Ever since I was 5 years old, I told myself that I would be playing Division I lacrosse somewhere and that has always been my sport," Klipstein said.

In addition to his father's influence, Klipstein had multiple mentors growing up. His uncle played



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Klipstein leads the team with five goals this season.

basketball at Rutgers, but was undersized. Although he did not get much playing time, he taught Klipstein how to work hard no matter what position he held. Klipstein's grandfather also coached basketball at his high school and was the athletic director for 45 years.

"He was a big influence for me in doing the right thing no matter how many wins you have or what you have accomplished," Klipstein said.

These mentors and Klipstein's hard work helped him achieve several honors in high school. Klipstein had 353 career points, becoming the school's all-time leading scorer. His point total was also the seventh-highest in the state's history. Klipstein was also a first-team all-state prep, all-area and all-division selection.

Despite his achievements, the transition to college play was still a significant change for Klipstein.

"The transition is huge on the field," Klipstein said. "Coming from not really

Men's lacrosse wins 8-7 in triple OT

Junior John Togneri's goal catapults Bison past No. 20 Ohio State

By WES TROWBRIDGE
Sports Editor

It took all four quarters and three overtime periods, but the

Bucknell 8 (3OT)
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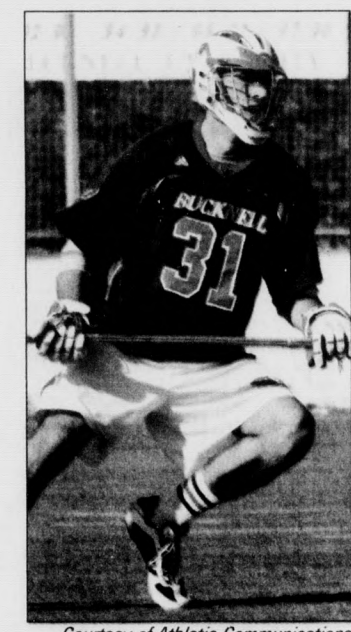
No. 17 University men's lacrosse team pulled off a comeback victory over Ohio State 8-7 Saturday at Christy Mathewson Memorial Stadium. Austin Winter '10 recorded two goals, and Nick Sciubba '09 made three clutch saves near the end of regulation, but John Togneri's '09 goal in the 69th minute sealed the victory for the Orange and Blue.

Consistent execution and an incredible effort on both ends of the field were the Bison keys to victory. Ohio State was ranked No. 20 in the Nike/Inside Lacrosse Media Poll entering the contest. The game ranked as the second longest in program history and showcased a dramatic

comeback victory amid intermittent snow squalls.

"I've never seen anything like that during a game... it definitely affected visibility and ball handling but I think that we reacted well to the adversity and just focused that much harder to do all the little things right that enable you to win a tight game," Tim Brandau '10 said.

Ohio State struck first, scoring at the 8:20 mark of the first quarter but the Bison responded with three goals in a six-minute span between the first and second quarter. Winter played a hand in all three goals, dishing assists to Perry Menzies '09 and Ryan Klipstein '11 before scoring one of his own to make the score 3-1. Defender Tom Izard '09 was credited with an assist on the play as he picked up the ground ball and cleared it the length of the field himself before passing to Winter for the score. Izard led the Bison with seven



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Evan Burns '08 and the Bison defense allowed just one shot during the three overtime periods.

ground balls and earned Patriot League Defensive Player of the Week honors for his performance.

Ohio State came back strong, outscoring the Orange and Blue 4-1 in the last seven minutes of the half and adding another goal less than 30 seconds into the second half to establish a 6-4 lead. Ohio State attackman Jeff Ryan and midfielder Kevin Buchanan each recorded two goals on the day for the Buckeyes.

The Bison defense improved dramatically in the second half, allowing just one goal in the final 39:06 of regulation and overtime.

"The defense played incredible... and definitely stepped up when they needed to. Once we went to overtime I felt like there was no chance we could lose," said Sciubba, who recorded 12 saves including five in the fourth quarter.

Brandau's assist to Togneri made the score 6-5 midway

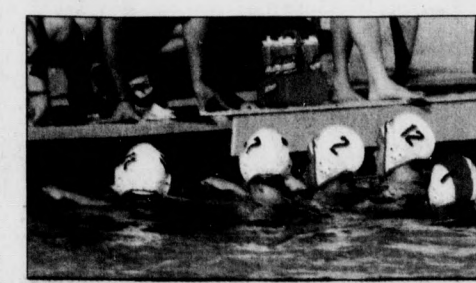
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Women's water polo wins ECAC Championship

Bison knock off three opponents on way to first ever conference title

By ELLIS HUDES
Senior Writer

The Bison women's water polo team made history by capturing their very first ECAC Championship, defeating Marist in an 8-7 nail biter in front of friends and family over the



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
The Bison are off to their best start in program history with a 13-2 record.

weekend at Kinney Natatorium. This squad is now off to the best start in program history with a 13-2 record. Valentina Rozas '10 earned tournament MVP honors after some memorable late-game heroics. She was also named Damon's Bison Athlete of the Week and CWPA Southern Division Player of the Week, the third time in four weeks she's held that distinction.

"This was one of our first big team goals, and it feels good to accomplish it," Aubrey Rowe '09 said. "We came into the weekend trying to play our style of disciplined, patient water polo, and the result of this was our success."

The championship game was a well-contested and evenly-matched contest from start to finish as neither team could establish a decisive advantage. Though the Bison headed to the locker room at half with a slim one-goal lead, they were met with a re-focused Marist squad in the

second half and found themselves down by two scores in the final quarter of play. During a 79-second stretch, the Red Foxes reeled off three goals. Then, in a remarkable turnaround, the Bison defense held the Red Foxes to one goal for nearly the final 10 minutes. Rozas provided the offensive spark in the fourth quarter by scoring two clutch goals that gave the Orange and Blue the lead for good.

"It was good to see the team respond to the pressure of being the number one seed and playing at home in front of our friends and family," Head Coach John Abdou said. "We played well when it counted and made plays when we needed to the most."

Rozas finished the game with four goals, which brings her season total to a team-high 39. Whitney Allen '11, Shana

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Tennis teams split matches

By JORDAN BRODSKY
Writer

The Bison men's and women's tennis teams both split their weekend matches. The men beat Boston University (BU) 6-1 Saturday in Boston, Mass. and fell to Brown 7-0 in Providence, R.I. Friday. The women's team also traveled to Providence and defeated University of Rhode Island (URI) 7-0 after losing to Brown by the same score.

On Saturday against BU, the Bison men took five out of the six singles matches. Ira Reibesen '08 won his number one singles match against Giulio Galloratti 6-2, 6-7, 7-5. At the number three spot, Zach Hascoe '10 defeated Miron Nissim 6-0, 6-1. Jonathan Brenner '09 picked up a win at the four spot as he beat James Bernstein 6-3, 1-6, 6-1. Anton Kovic '11 defeated Hans Sapor 6-1, 6-2 at the number five spot and rounding out singles play, and Mark Malloy '11 blanked Daniel Frid 6-0, 6-0. Jeff Chudacoff picked up the only win for the Terriers on the singles side as he defeated Ryan Sandburg '09 6-4, 7-6 at the number two slot.

On the doubles side, Brenner and Kovic teamed up to defeat Phil DeMeo and Miron Nissim 8-3 at the number two spot while

Ben Young '08 and Malloy defeated Giulio Galloratti and Daniel Frid 9-7 at the number three slot. Reibesen and Sandburg dropped their number one doubles match to Jeff Chudacoff and James Bernstein 8-5.

"Our team learned something from Friday's match, and we responded tremendously on Saturday, beating a good Boston University team. [The team] wasn't discouraged... we discussed it and realized what we needed to change," said Malloy.

In their lone win on Friday, Reibesen and Sandburg paired up to defeat Saurabh Kohli and Jonathan Pearman of Brown, 8-7, 7-5 in the number one doubles spot. At the number two slot, Brenner and Kovic fell to Sam Garland and Noah Gardner, 8-3. Rounding out doubles play, Young and Malloy were defeated by Kendrick Au and Cody Simmons 8-4 at the third doubles position.

On the singles side, Reibesen fell to Chris Lee 6-4, 6-2 at the number one singles spot. At the number two position, Sandburg lost to Jonathan Pearlman 6-4, 6-2. Hascoe was defeated by Saurabh Kohli 7-5, 6-0 in the number three slot while Brenner lost his number four singles match 6-0, 6-3 to Basu Ratnam.

At number five singles, Kovic fell to Sam Garland 6-4, 6-2. Finishing off the day for the Bison at number six singles, Malloy dropped his match to Charlie Posner 6-3, 6-2.

"Our team fought very hard, and the majority of the matches were only decided by a few games... the matches were a lot closer than the overall score," said Malloy.

The Bison men will return home to face Fairleigh Dickinson on March 18 at 3 p.m.

Playing at the number one singles spot for the women against URI, Tania Varela '10 defeated Nyssa Peele 6-2, 6-4. Paulina Gamboa '09 won her number two singles match against Grace Hedstrom 2-6, 6-4, 6-0. Lauren Lucido '11 beat Steffi Catanzano 6-1, 3-6, 10-6 at the number three spot. At number four singles, Carlin Calcaterra '10 topped Valerie Chacan 6-4, 6-2. Dara Dwojewski '11 defeated Amanda Barletta 7-6, 4-6, 10-2 at the number five spot. Finishing off singles play, Lauren Rotkamp '11 beat Kristen Liu 6-0, 6-2 at the sixth spot.

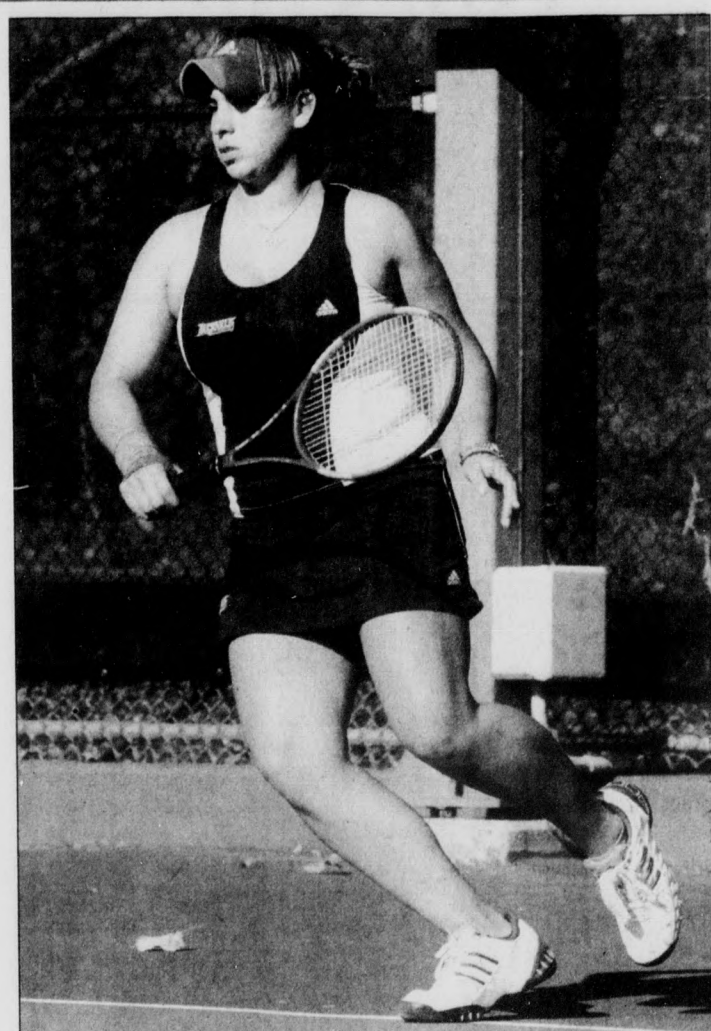
On the doubles side, Varela and Lucido paired up at the number one spot to defeat Nyssa Peele and Grace Hedstrom 8-2. At number two doubles, Gamboa and

Calcaterra beat Christen Cadigan and Valerie Chacan 8-5. The lone loss against Rhode Island came at the number three doubles spot as Caitlin Baffa '08 and Dwojewski fell to Steffi Catanzano and Amanda Barletta 8-3.

The Orange and Blue failed to win a match against Brown earlier in the day. On the singles side, Varela fell to Bianca Aboubakare 6-4, 6-3 at number one while Brett Finkelstein defeated Gamboa 6-2, 6-2 at the number two spot. Lucido lost her number three singles match to Tanja Vucetic 4-6, 6-1, 7-5. At the number four spot, Calcaterra fell to Marisa Schonfeld 6-1, 6-0. Dwojewski dropped her number five singles match to Alexa Baggio 6-3, 7-5. Rounding out singles play was Rotkamp at the number six spot; she lost to Ashley Butler 6-0, 6-2.

The Bison didn't fare any better on the doubles side. At number one doubles, Bianca Aboubakare and Marisa Schonfeld defeated Varela and Lucido 8-5. Calcaterra and Gamboa dropped their number two doubles match to Kelley Kirkpatrick and Sara Mansur 8-3. At number three doubles, Brett Finkelstein and Tsuka Kurihara blanked Baffa and Dwojewski 8-0.

"Well no one likes to lose,"



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Paulina Gamboa '09 defeated Rhode Island's Grace Hedstrom 2-6, 6-4, 6-0 last Saturday.

next match against Rhode Island, which we did."

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having to know anything to having it be a whole other class I have to take where I learn books of plays. Everyone is bigger, stronger, faster."

Klipstein may not have been used to studying lacrosse, but his instinct for the game and hard work has helped him succeed on the field. He also has a desire to learn from others.

"Ryan really listens to the advice we give him to make him a better player," Steven Cheng '08 said. "I think it's fair to say that he

just makes plays. He may not be the fastest player, but he seems to be in the right place at the right time which not everyone can do."

In the future, Klipstein hopes to build on his skills and to work his way into the first line of players. His ultimate goal is to help the team succeed regardless of how much he plays.

"I would much rather play on a team where I didn't touch the field at all and we were as good as we could be. I think this is a team that could go to the final four of the national tournament and that is what I want to see."

Klipstein and his teammates will play at home March 8 against Mount St. Mary's.

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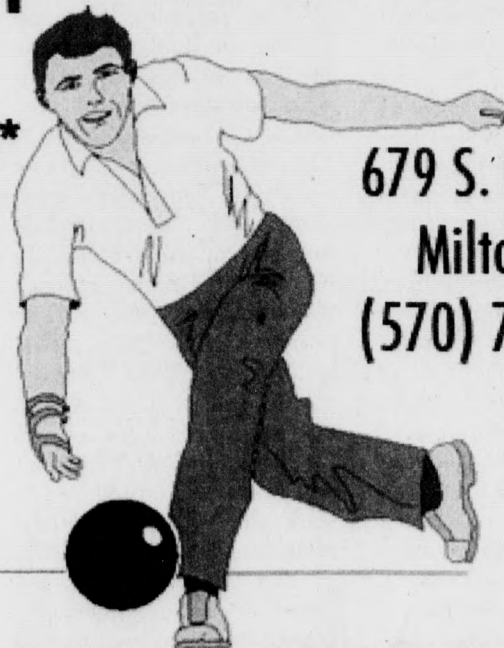
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Baseball wins three, ties one against Richmond and VCU

By KENNETH BLACK
Writer

The Bison baseball team was unbeaten on its visit to Richmond, Va. over the weekend, finishing 3-0-1 and improving their record to 3-2-2 for the season. The Bison swept a double-header against Virginia Commonwealth and won and tied games against Richmond.

Bucknell 12 Richmond 11
afternoon, the Bison managed to hold off Richmond for a close 12-11 victory.

"We faced a lot of good pitching and were able to put up some very impressive power numbers. Everyone in the lineup is hitting the ball well from the top of the order the whole way to the bottom," Andrew Brouse '10 said after the game.

The Orange and Blue got the ball rolling early in the top half of first, as Shawn Hirsch '08 gave the team a 3-0 lead with a bases clearing double to left center, which brought home Dane Grandizio '09, Mark Angelo '08 and Jason Buursma '08.

The team scored in six of its first nine innings played, including what would prove to be the game-winning run in the top of

the ninth on a costly Richmond error.

After scoring two runs in the bottom of the ninth with no outs, David Solan '08, who transferred from Richmond two years ago, entered the 12-10 affair with the bags full to face his former team. Solan fanned the first batter he faced but walked the next batter to force in another run. That would be all, as Solan would strike out Hank Coogan and force a groundout to first base to earn his first career save for the Bison.

Eric Jarrett '11 got his first collegiate win (1-1) for the Bison going 5.2 innings and giving up just two runs on five hits. Hirsch led the Orange and Blue at plate, going 4-5 with a career-high five RBI.

Saturday the Bison swept its doubleheader against Virginia Commonwealth behind the Bison's offensively charged bats.

"After watching our team in the fall, I knew we had the potential to score lots of runs this year. The fact that we are doing it off of teams like Eastern Kentucky, Richmond and VCU is very impressive," Hirsch said.

In game two the Orange and Blue scored at least one run in its first six innings in a

game that went back and forth against VCU. After five innings of play the score was tied at six. Then in the top of the sixth, Zachary Brown '09 put the Bison ahead for good with a three-run double that scored Drew Constable '11, Angelo and Grandizio.

Trey Fraher '11 got his first collegiate win (1-0) in six innings of relief, allowing three runs on four hits and striking out six.

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In game one the Bison were at it again, as Buursma tagged his second career grand slam with two outs in the first inning, that plated Ben Allen '10, Chris Pieper '08 and Angelo, to give his team an early 4-0 edge over VCU. The Bison added to that lead with a solo home run in the third by Grandizio.

With one already across in the top of the sixth, bases loaded and only one out, Brouse stepped up to the plate and hammered his first collegiate home run, the second grand slam of the game and third homer of the day.

Mathew Wilson '08 went the distance to earn the win (1-0), allowing three runs on nine hits and 10 strikeouts, a personal best Wilson set just one weekend earlier against Eastern Kentucky.

On Friday the Bison hung on for a 7-7 tie in 10 innings after holding a 6-0 lead over

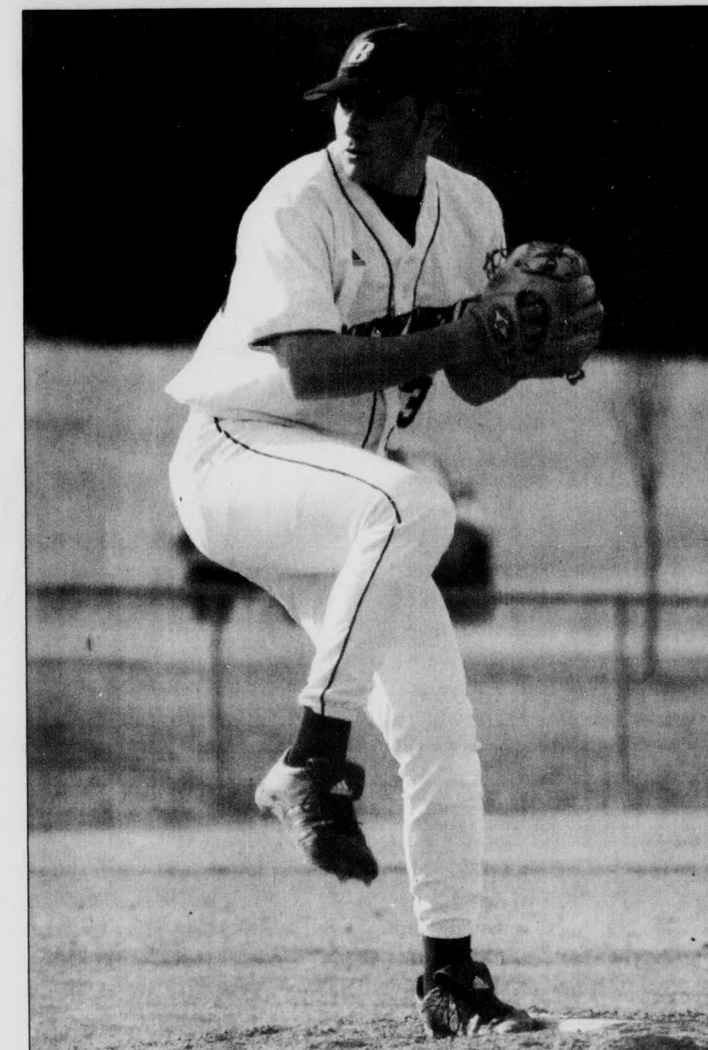
Richmond. The Bison got off to an early start again, led by Grandizio's first collegiate home run in the first, which scored Allen and gave the team a 2-0 cushion. In the fourth, Pieper stretched the lead to 3-0 with his solo home run, as the team would go on to score three more runs in the inning.

A late-inning rally by Richmond saw them cut the lead to 7-5 after seven innings and go on to tie the score at seven in the bottom of the eighth. The bats fell silent for both teams after that, with neither team able to manage another run in the contest.

Jason Buursma '08 got the start for the Orange and Blue and went seven innings, giving up five runs on nine hits and career-high seven strikeouts.

Up next for the Bison will be IPFW, as the team travels to Bradenton, Fla., for its annual Spring Break trip, March 9.

"We are very excited for our spring trip. We hope to keep the momentum rolling through this week and right into Patriot Leagues," Dane Grandizio '09 said.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
David Solan '08 was named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll last season.

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Palencia '10, Haley Prickett '11 and Rowe each scored a goal to round out the offense. Kandis Canonica '11 led the team with two assists and goalie Alison Carter '10 tied a career-high with 11 saves in the championship game.

"I think it's so exciting that we have made school history. Coming in as a freshman and already seeing things improve for the better is so great," Prickett said. "I can't wait to see our banner hanging in the pool; it will serve as inspiration every day."

The ECAC semifinal pitted the Bison against Wagner. The Bison women led by two goals at halftime after a strong first quarter effort. In the second half, the team established a six-goal

lead before Marist went on a 4-0 run, putting the contest's outcome in doubt. However, the Orange and Blue kept their composure and methodically put the game out of reach with stellar offensive execution, winning 17-11.

Canonica had a career day, breaking the program's single-game record with six assists in addition to her three goals on the day. Rozas tied a career-high with six goals, just one short of the program record. Megan Gins '08 registered five goals and three assists to round out a trio of dominant performances. Rowe, another key contributor, tallied one goal and three assists while Palencia, Prickett and Carter added four steals apiece.

The Orange and Blue had made an excellent start to their ECAC campaign by routing Slippery Rock 16-3. First quarter

action set the tone for the rest of the contest as the Bison charged to a 5-0 lead, which grew to 10-2 by halftime. The squad continued its aggressive play by outscoring Slippery Rock 6-1 the rest of the way.

Allen, Canonica, Gins and Palencia all scored three goals in a remarkably balanced attack for the Orange and Blue. Rowe added four steals while seven other players tied with two steals apiece. The Bison held Slippery Rock to 17 shots on goal for the game.

The Bison will head to California in two weeks where they will face Loyola Marymount and Cal State Northridge followed by participation in the Claremont Convergence.

"The California training trip will be a great opportunity to play some non-conference opponents, play ranked opponents, get some sunshine and prepare ourselves for league play," Abdou said.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Sinead O'Dwyer '11 was the sole Bison to represent the women's team at the ECAC Championships last weekend.

Swimmers & divers compete at ECACs

By ERIC WEISS
Contributing Writer

The swimming and diving team sent four competitors to the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Championships in Pittsburgh Saturday. Competing in its second championship meet in just 10 days, Luke Trafton '10 won the 1,650-meter freestyle event for the Bison and the men's team placed 13th out of 26 teams at the competition.

After missing classes the previous week for the Patriot League Championships in Annapolis, Md., last weekend the Bison qualifiers took another bus ride, this time seven hours to Pittsburgh on account of heavy snow.

"We didn't hit the times that we had hoped for, but it was another chance to get up and race and we wanted to take advantage of it," Trafton said. He touched out his opponents in a time of 15 minutes and 47.89 seconds. Trafton's victory accounted for 20 of 67 total points for the men's team. He has been reliable all season for the Orange and Blue, contributing to the team's winning record in the Patriot League and a runner-up finish to Navy in the conference championships.

Also representing the University at the ECAC Championships was Ben Leboza '10, placing seventh in the 200-meter freestyle with a time of 1:43.20. Just two seconds behind Leboza, Trafton followed him at eighth place. Leboza's time was better than any he had swam at a duel meet this season.

Jeffrey Manning '09 was the lone diver for the swim team this weekend, qualifying for the finals in both one-meter and three-meter boards. Manning came in at seventh place in both events.

"I dove really well in the preliminary round, but did not come back as strong in finals... I was happy to make finals on both boards [against] some tough competition," Manning said.

Sinead O'Dwyer '11 took the journey this weekend for the women's team, swimming in three events. She collected 12 points as she came in eighth in the 400-meter IM, 16th in the 100-meter backstroke and 20th in the 1,650 freestyle.

"It was hard coming off such a high energy meet such as [Patriot League Championships] and trying to reproduce that for a second weekend in a row... I think we did well considering the circumstances," O'Dwyer said.

The efforts of the team this weekend were evident as they closed out their season in stellar fashion.

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Cosima Higham '11 averaged 2.09 offensive rebounds per game during Patriot League games, ranking her 10th in the league in that category.

By MATTHEW SAYLOR
Associate Editor of Content

The women's basketball team enters the Patriot League Tournament on a winning note, closing out the reg-

ular season with a 59-47 victory over Army at Sojka Pavilion on Saturday. The Bison (13-15, 8-6) finish the regular season as the No. 5 seed in the conference and will play the No. 4 Black Knights (18-11, 9-5) at West

Women's basketball earns fifth seed

Win over Army sets up re-match in first round of PL tourney

Point, N.Y. tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. Army is serving as the host for the opening two rounds of the tournament, and the title game will be played on Wednesday at the home court of the highest remaining seed.

It was Senior Night for the Orange and Blue, and Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka started the quintet of Keshia Champion, Kristina Collymore, Hope Foster, Ashton Sprouse and Andrea Wright for their final regular season game at Sojka. Wright has only played on the team for two years after transferring from the University of Pennsylvania, but she was the spark plug for the Bison on this night.

With five minutes and 42 seconds remaining in the first half, the Orange and Blue trailed 19-11. Wright checked back into the game and led the team on a 11-2 run to take a 22-21 lead with 2:10 remaining until the half. Wright hit a quick jumper off an inbound pass from Champion. Two possessions later she drove hard across the lane for a left-handed lay-up, and then found Lauren Schober '09 off of a drive-and-kick for another made jump shot.

Women's Basketball				
2007-08 Final Patriot League Regular Season Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
American	11-3	.786	17-12	.586
Holy Cross	10-4	.714	17-12	.586
Lehigh	9-5	.643	17-12	.586
Army	9-5	.643	18-11	.621
Bucknell	8-6	.571	13-15	.464
Lafayette	6-8	.429	14-15	.483
Navy	3-11	.214	7-22	.241
Colgate	0-14	.000	1-28	.034

Joyce Novacek '11 added a free throw. Wright hit another shot and Champion ended the run with a steal and a floating shot about eight feet from the rim. Army would score the final four points of the half, to take a 25-22 lead into the locker room, but the Bison had finally found their offense.

"It was a great night for a senior ... it was nice that she [Wright] did that," Army Head Coach Dave Magarity said. "She certainly took advantage of her opportunity tonight."

Wright said, "I just wanted to come in and leave it all out there."

The Orange and Blue opened it up in the second half, and with the

seniors leading the way turned a 27-27 tie into a 38-29 lead. Army would make a run of its own to cut it down to three, 44-41, but the Bison then went on a 10-0 run, highlighted by a Schober three-pointer with 1:37 left.

Champion led the Bison with 15 points, and Wright added 11. Foster had nine points, seven rebounds and five blocks, while Collymore scored nine points and corralled six rebounds.

Foster summed up the team's thoughts going into the tournament.

"Last year we ended on a loss in regular season," she said. "It is great going into post-season play on a high."

Men's basketball falls to Army in regular-season finale

By JONATHAN CAMPBELL-COPP
Senior Writer

The men's basketball team was narrowly defeated by Army Saturday, falling 54-51 in their final regular-season game of the year. The loss dropped the Bison into 7th in the crowded Patriot League standings, scheduling a bus ticket to play Navy in Wednesday's game at Annapolis. The Orange and Blue finished the season with an 11-18 overall record and a 6-8 mark in Patriot League competition.

Although the Bison trailed for most of the game, a final-minute rally put victory within reach of the Orange and Blue. Several big defensive plays coupled with big shots pulled the Bison close, but it would not be enough to overcome the Black Knights. It was painfully similar to many of the team's games this season—those final seconds clicking off with the Bison still in pursuit, not in control.

"Something we've struggled with all year is finding that right chemistry and oftentimes that hurts us offensively," Head Coach Pat Flannery '80 said. "We picked it up there in the end at Army but we came up a few plays short."

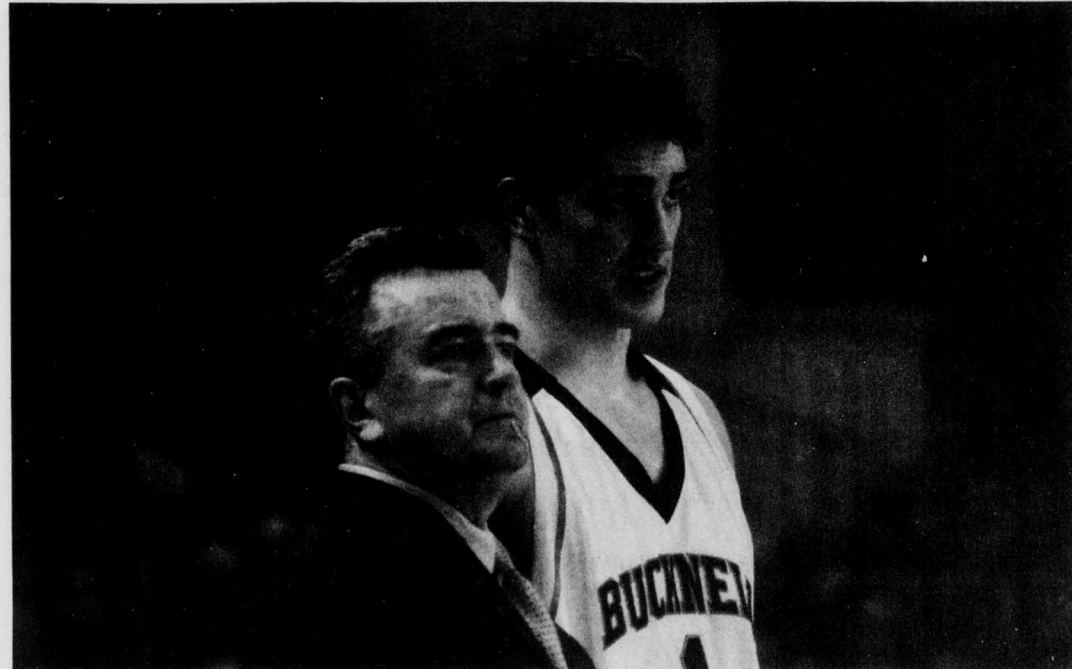
Darren Mastropalo '08 led the Bison on offense, racking up 11 points and pulling down four rebounds in less than 20 minutes of play

beneath the hoop. Stephen Tyree '10 turned in another solid game with 10 points, six boards and four picks on defense.

Army got off to a quick start from the floor, hitting over 50 percent of their shots in the first half and going 4-6 from beyond the arc. The Bison struggled to keep up, trying to find their offensive stride. A little over five minutes into the game, the Black Knights took their first double-digit lead after converting a steal into fast-break points for a 15-5 lead.

The Orange and Blue made a dash several minutes later as John Griffin '08 knocked down his lone three-pointer of the night, and Mastropalo followed with two buckets down low on consecutive drives. The seven-point run cut the lead to five, but Army would answer in nearly exact fashion, hitting a three-ball and two jumpers to bump their lead back up to 12. The Black Knights carried the double-digit lead into the half, holding a 37-26 advantage over the Bison as the first-half expired.

The start to the second half was ugly as both teams were able to find their rhythm. The first five minutes added only three points to the board, with the Bison cutting the lead to 10 off a Rob Thomas '08 jumper. Held scoreless during the second half, Tyree came alive over the resulting minutes, nabbing two steals and posting eight of his 10 points in a little over three minutes and going to the line twice on three-point plays.



Head Men's Basketball Coach Pat Flannery '80 and co-captain Darren Mastropalo '08 are trying to lead the Orange and Blue to their third Patriot League Tournament title in the last four years.

Despite the effort, the Bison were still unable to cut considerably into Army's lead, and things looked dismal as Army's Richard Cleveland hit two free throws to put the Black Knight up by 10 with 2:27 remaining in the game.

Seconds later the Bison would prove they were not beaten yet. Tyree was fouled charging to the basket on the next drive, nailing both to leave the Bison trailing 54-46. Army missed its bid with the shot clock nearly spent. Griffin had position on the rebound and converted on the other end for another two points for the Bison—the lead was now just six at 54-48.

The Bison stuck to their defensive game and forced a turnover on the inbound. Patrick Behan '10 put up a good look to further cut the lead but missed wide. Darryl Shazier '11 was there for the rebound and swung it to G.W. Boon '11 who was sent to the line on a one-and-one foul. With the pressure on, Boon missed the shot.

Army burned the clock on their next drive

and put up a three-point shot in hopes of sealing the deal. The shot was off the mark and Shazier was there again for the rebound. Boon fanned out to the corner and buried a deep three-pointer off a Griffin dish, covering his prior miss and pulling the Bison to within three. Down 54-51 with less than 30 seconds on the clock, the Orange and Blue forced yet another turnover, setting up a look to knot the score for the first time in the game.

Griffin took the shot with 15 ticks remaining, missing and ultimately leading to a forced foul to put Army on the line. The shot was off the mark, giving the Bison another shot. Behan got the look and spotted up. The attempt was on line but fell just short.

"We are capable of doing great things," Flannery said. "One of our greatest strengths down the stretch is our team defense, what has come and gone is our consistency. It's just one of those years that you just keep fighting."

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Lafayette	6-8	.429	15-15	.500
Bucknell	6-8	.429	12-18	.400
Holy Cross	5-9	.357	15-14	.517

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Softball drops three of four at Gamecock Invitational



Co-captain Heather Haskin '08 missed time last season with an arm injury, but she has returned to the pitcher's mound this year, making two starts.

By JOHN MLODZINSKI
Senior Writer

The University women's softball team traveled to Columbia, S. C. on March 1-2 to participate in the South Carolina Gamecock Invitational. On both days the team played split double headers against South Carolina and Gardner-Webb and finished the

trip 1-3.

On Sunday the team struggled to get its offense moving, managing only two hits as it fell to Gardner-Webb, 9-1 and South Carolina, 8-0. On Saturday both games went into extra innings as the Bison pulled off an amazing comeback win against Gardner-Webb, 3-2. The team was not so lucky against the Gamecocks, los-

ing 2-1 in the eighth inning after tying the score in the seventh.

"The win over Gardner Webb was a great come from behind victory. ... our close game against South Carolina showed that we can play with anyone," Head Coach Heather Rakosik said.

The Bison opened up the final day of the South Carolina Gamecock Classic against

Gardner-Webb 9
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able to pick up two hits, both of which came in the fifth inning. Erin Curatola '08 picked up an RBI on a sacrifice fly, allowing Kristin Frick '09 to score. This was the Bison's lone run of the day.

Christie Wiest '08 started for the University and surrendered five runs, only two of which were earned. Katie McDonald '09 replaced Wiest in the fifth and allowed four runs, only one of which was earned.

The team faced South Carolina in the afternoon. The offense was unable to figure

out the Gamecocks' pitching as the Bison did not record a hit in the game. Heather Haskin '08 started for the Bison and gave up five runs, all of which were unearned and credited to errors by the University's defense. Wiest replaced Haskin in the second and surrendered three more runs to the Gamecocks. Ashley Beans '09 was the only Bison to reach base in the game on a walk in the first inning.

"The second day was a completely different story and we did not play to our full potential," Lauren Troesch '10 said.

On Saturday, the team played very well and almost came out of the double header with two victo-

ries. "Unfortunately we lost to USC in extra inning ... but I think everyone was still very proud of the way we performed against such tough competition," Troesch said.

In the first game, Gardner-Webb struck first in the top of the third, when Wiest surrendered one run on an RBI single. Wiest quickly settled in and did not allow another runner until the top of the eighth. With the Bison trailing 1-0 entering the bottom of the seventh the team was looking for a spark to tie the game.

After Jessie Snyder '11 struck out, Beans drew a walk. Sam Rolland '11 singled to right field and Beans advanced to second. Both runners were able to advance on an errant throw. After Alyssa Okita '10 grounded out to second, Ashley Carlson '09 came through with a huge infield single which allowed Beans to score and sent the game to extra innings.

In the top of the eighth, Gardner-Webb managed to get one run across the plate to take a 2-1 lead. Curatola led of the top of the eighth with a single. After Gardner-Webb changed pitchers, Elyse Colmenero '11 reached first when she was hit by a pitch. With one out Snyder came to the plate and roped a single to right, allowing two runs to score and giving the Bison the victory.

In the game against South Carolina, the Gamecocks grabbed an early lead on an

RBI single. McDonald, who started for the Bison, did not allow any more runs and only two hits through the next seven innings.

The Bison entered the seventh inning trailing 1-0. Curatola walked and Frick pinch ran for her. After two consecutive strikeouts, Frick advanced to second on a wild pitch. Mary Pavlovich '10 laced a two out single to right field, allowing Frick to score and the game was tied at one apiece. Unfortunately for the Bison, a two out RBI single in the bottom of the eighth gave the Gamecocks the victory.

"I think that Saturday we held our own and played two very competitive and exciting games up to the finish. All three of the pitchers that made appearances [Wiest, McDonald, and Haskin] did a phenomenal job and helped the team stay in the game. It was truly a team effort," Frick said.

"I believe that one of the biggest strengths on this team is the unity that we show both on and off the field. We get along well and support each other, and that is what it will take for success throughout the season," Carlson said.

The Bison return to the field March 8, at Drexel and March 9 at George Washington.

Bison breeze past Long Island 17-5

New head coach McHenry has women's lacrosse team off to 1-0 start

By KYLE BARNDOLLAR
Sports Editor

A snow storm last week forced the women's lacrosse team to start its season seven days later than scheduled, but the

Bison didn't appear to be slowed down one bit by the delay as they cruised past Long Island University (LIU) 17-5 in the season opener Wednesday at Graham Field. Leading the way for the Orange and Blue was Julia Braun '11, managing six points on five goals and one assist in her first ever game. The Bison move to 1-0 on the season, while LIU falls to 0-3.

The game lacked intense competition, with the Bison taking an early lead and never looking back. Bonnie Buechel '09 was quick to add to her 20-game scoring streak continued from last semester as she notched the game's first goal within three minutes off an assist from Carol Donohue '10.

Donohue would follow with a goal of her own just over a minute later to give the Bison an early 2-0 lead.

First-year midfielder Braun scored the first of her five goals bringing the score to 3-0 before the Blackbirds finally broke through with a goal by Christie Wienkowsky.

The Bison responded with two more goals, Donohue scoring her second and Alison Heffernan '10 notching the first of her hat tricks.

Braun would get on the board once more before half time, as the Bison entered the break with a 6-2 advantage.

The Orange and Blue continued to dominate in the second half, getting a

goal from Lauren Peyser '11 just 20 seconds in.

LIU got one back as Sam Fischbeck scored an unassisted goal to make it 7-3, but the Bison went on an eight-goal tear immediately afterwards to put the game away.

The streak saw two goals from Sarah Collins '09, two from Braun, one more each for Buechel and Heffernan, as well as first-ever goals from Becca Devine '11 and Ashley St. John '11. Collins and Donohue also added two assists apiece during the run.

Braun and Heffernan would each score once more in the final minutes to conclude the rout for the Bison, walking away with a 17-5 win.

Alyssa DeLorenz '11 made nine saves in his first career start in goal while senior defender Lauren Deitrich '08 had a strong game, causing four turnovers.

The victory was the first for the Orange and Blue under new Head Coach Caline McHenry. McHenry was an All-American and semifinalist for the Tewaaraton Trophy at Duke, and served as an assistant at both Ohio University and Davidson since graduating in 2005.

McHenry and new assistant Gregg Gebhard look to guide a Bison squad that sports an interesting mix of experience and youth. The team returns its top seven starters from last season, but also has nine freshmen, including its only goalie, DeLorenz.

"Expectations for this season are pretty high," Kendall Thibeault '10 said. "We are returning many crucial players from last season and we have added a lot of great freshman to the team this



Bonnie Buechel '09 started this season with 20-game point-scoring streak, extending her streak with the first goal of the game.

year. We also have a new, extremely knowledgeable coaching staff."

The Bison will face its first Patriot League test as they host American on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

"Our coaching staff has equipped us with greater knowledge of the technical aspects of the game, helping us pay attention to the little details that will make a big impact on the success of our team." Buechel, last season's leading scorer, said.

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SKI SQUADS SHRED UP THE SLOPES



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By BRIAN MULLIGAN
Sports Editor

The ski team put together a break-out season this winter, bringing both men's and women's squads to the Mid-Atlantic Regional competition for the Southeastern Conference of the USCSA on Mar. 22-23. The team competed on the weekends throughout the months of January and February at a different mountain each week. The squad also formed strong relationships both on and off the slopes with many of the teams in the conference—especially Villanova, West Chester and West Virginia.

"Bucknell is the one team that can

cross competitive boundaries and bring all of the teams in our conference together as friends," Dwyer Haney '10 said.

On the first day of competition, the Orange and Blue competed in the giant slalom event. Kiersten Wakeman put together a two-run total of two minutes and 39.3 seconds, placing 31st overall. Kelly Boswell '08 finished a mere three seconds behind Wakeman taking 34th place. The Bison finished tenth overall at the Mid-Atlantic Regional with Penn State taking the overall title in the giant slalom.

Jonathan Goldstein, on the men's side, placed 14th for his individual

performance in the giant slalom in 2:04.2. Haney was the second Bison to cross the finish line, taking 54th in 2:16.7. The men's squad put together a team time of 7:21.9 to take 13th at the meet.

"The highlight of my season was not the results but just coming down after a run and wanting to know how my teammates did and there was a genuine interest on their part as well," Goldstein said.

The second day of competition consisted of the slalom event, involving skiing between poles spaced much closer together than giant slalom. The women's team took eighth in the competition, while the

men's squad took tenth.

On the women's side, Boswell and Wakeman finished first and second for the Orange and Blue, respectively. Boswell finished the course in a combined time of 2:44.7 to finish 25, while Wakeman finished only three spots behind Boswell in 2:48.6.

Captain Pat Murphy '08 cracked the top 25 in the men's slalom competition, finishing 22nd in 2:11.5. Haney was next to finish for the Orange and Blue, crossing the finish line in 2:20.4 to take 34th place.

"On the whole, the season was a huge success. We not only raced well during the season, but we had a great time each weekend, with a fantastic

group of people," Murphy said. "It's been quite a memorable four years for me on this team. I'm definitely sad to see it come to an end, but I have made some great memories and have met some of my best friends on this team"

The ski team finished out its season at regionals after competing in a total of four competitions this season. The team formed strong relationships during the course of the season through their common love of skiing.

"Ski team is a great way to meet people that share the same interests (skiing and being outdoors) from Bucknell as well as other teams," Boswell said.

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could return to play more, having made the decision to hang up his cleats while he knows he can still play at a very high level.

Fans and media members often question professional athletes who decide to continue playing when it is obvious watching them that they are clearly not as good as they used to be. "Just retire already, step aside before you embarrass yourself further," they will cry. I say if they want to keep playing and someone will give them the opportunity, that those athletes should play as long as they want.

There are so many college athletes who do not get the chance to continue playing their sports after four years and could not imagine walking away with the chance to play more. Favre feels that he has nothing

more to give, and if that is truly the case, then he is right to step aside at this point in his career.

The men's basketball team gave all it had on Wednesday night, and the players and coaches will no doubt continue to give whatever they have left in the tank as they try to reach their goal of winning a Patriot League Tournament championship.

Favre has left on his own terms, feeling that he has accomplished everything he could and having no regrets. For the Orange and Blue seniors, they realize that they will have to leave the court, preferably later than sooner. However, they also want to go out on their own terms—and those terms are not yet fully met.

Two more wins will enable the seniors to reach their main goal, yet they still won't be ready to go. Whatever happens the rest of the way, they will never be ready to peel off the Orange and Blue one final time.

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pointer that had tied the game at 84, and a career-high four assists compared to zero turnovers.

In starting roles, point guard Shazier scored a

career-high nine points, snatched four steals and committed just three turnovers in 41 minutes of action. Behan scored eight points, and Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year Stephen Tyree contributed six points

a team-high six assists and four rebounds in 31 minutes prior to fouling out.

The Orange and Blue finished the night with 22 assists on 28 made field goals. The team turned the ball over 11 times in the first half, resulting in 15 Navy points. However, the team committed 11 turnovers over the remaining 35 minutes and Navy only scored four more points off of the miscues.

With the win the Bison (12-18) will now travel to Hamilton, N.Y. on Sunday to take on the No. 3 seed Colgate Raiders. The Orange and Blue swept the season series from the Raiders (17-13), winning 65-61 at Sojka Pavilion on Jan. 26 and 91-85 in overtime in Hamilton on Feb. 6. Colgate won its first quarterfinal match against Lafayette 76-74 on Wednesday.

In other Patriot League Tournament action, defending champion Holy Cross lost 62-60 against No. 1 seed American, and No. 5 Army defeated No. 4 Lehigh 64-61 in overtime. Tip-off for both semi-final games on Sunday (American will host Army) are scheduled for 2 p.m.

Patriot League Tournament

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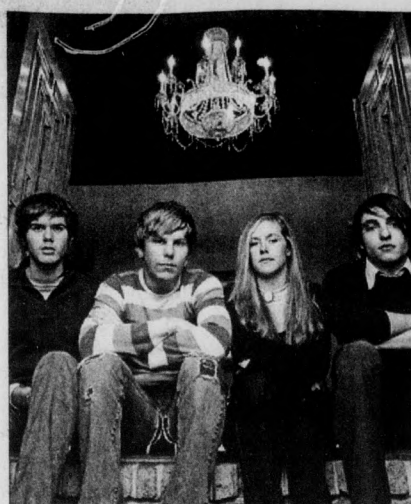
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Spring Break Playlist

Tunes by The Brunettes, Paul McCartney and more to welcome the warmer weather

By SARAH HALLOWELL
Contributing Writer



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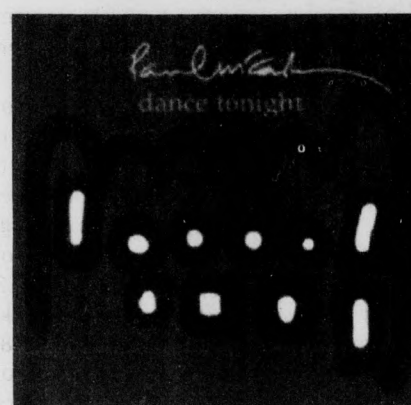
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"Brunettes Against
Bubblegum Youth"—The
Brunettes

I came across this single while searching for a song from a different band. The Brunettes is an indie rock band from New Zealand with a very original sound. The Brunettes consists of two members, one girl and one boy, who play most of the instruments (think The White Stripes). This song is off of their third album, "Structure and Cosmetics." The Brunettes sound is different than anything else I have heard, which makes this band really cool. According to their Web site, The Brunettes' music is a mix of '70s era New York punk and 60s era girl group." This is seen and heard in the lyrics and beat of "Brunettes Against Bubblegum Youth." It is a good dancing song, complete with hand clapping.

"Honey"—The Hush Sound

This band is definitely one of my favorites. If you like bands such as Phantom Planet or The Bravery, then consider purchasing this single from The Hush Sound's yet to be released fourth album, "Goodbye Blues." This song deals with tough love: A girl loves a guy who treats her like dirt. Even though the lyrics are somewhat depressing, the music has a catchy beat. The Hush Sound is also no stranger to the campus music scene as they performed with Jack's Mannequin at Fall Fest in 2006.



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"Dance Tonight"—Paul
McCartney

There is that cliché phrase that some things get better with age and Paul McCartney is no exception (excuse me, "Sir" Paul). "Dance Tonight" is one of the hits off the ex-Beatle's 15th solo album (Beatles and Wings records not included), "Memory Almost Full." This is a very straightforward song—simple lyrics set to a simple melody: "Everybody gonna dance tonight / Everybody gonna feel alright / Everybody gonna dance around tonight / Everybody gonna dance around / Everybody gonna hit the ground / Everybody gonna dance around tonight." According to his blog on the official Paul McCartney Web site, McCartney was messing around on a mandolin one day and came up with this track. Genius.



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"Caravan Girl"—Goldfrapp

Normally I am not a fan of electronica music (I really do not think that a synthesizer counts as an instrument, but that is just my opinion). When I was searching for songs for this article, this album kept popping up. After listening, I was pleasantly surprised. Goldfrapp would probably be in the same musical category as alternative bands such as The Yeah Yeah Yeahs or She Wants Revenge. Like The Brunettes, Goldfrapp is a male and female duo, except they hail from across the pond in England. This song comes from Goldfrapp's fourth album, "Seventh Tree," and is about a girl who is running away: "What is her name? / That caravan girl / What is her name? / You like the sun / A hazy day / What is her name?" The music is also really mellow; a type of song that might help you relax after a stressful day.



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James McAvoy and Anne Hathaway chat during a dance as Laurence Fox looks on. Fox plays Mr. Wisley, one of Jane's rejected suitors. Becoming Jane also stars James Cromwell, Julie Walters and Maggie Smith.

Becoming Jane: Austen, that is

Film stars Anne Hathaway in portrayal of beloved novelist

By TRACY LUM
Staff Writer

From reading Jane Austen's novels, it is reasonable to suspect Austen lived a wonderful, carefree life full of romance, laughter and respectable gentlemen. Nothing could be further from the truth.

"Becoming Jane" tells the sad tale of Jane's life—how she fell in love, gathered inspiration for her engaging novels and more. As the tag line for the movie goes, "Jane Austen's most extraordinary romance was her own."

In "Becoming Jane," Jane Austen (played by Anne Hathaway) comes from a poor family living in the English countryside. Jane enjoys observing the natural setting and writing frequently. Her mother (Julie Walters) encourages Jane to marry one of the many suitors who seek her hand. Marriage would, of course, make Jane's fortune and ensure her livelihood. But Jane seeks something more. She seeks love.

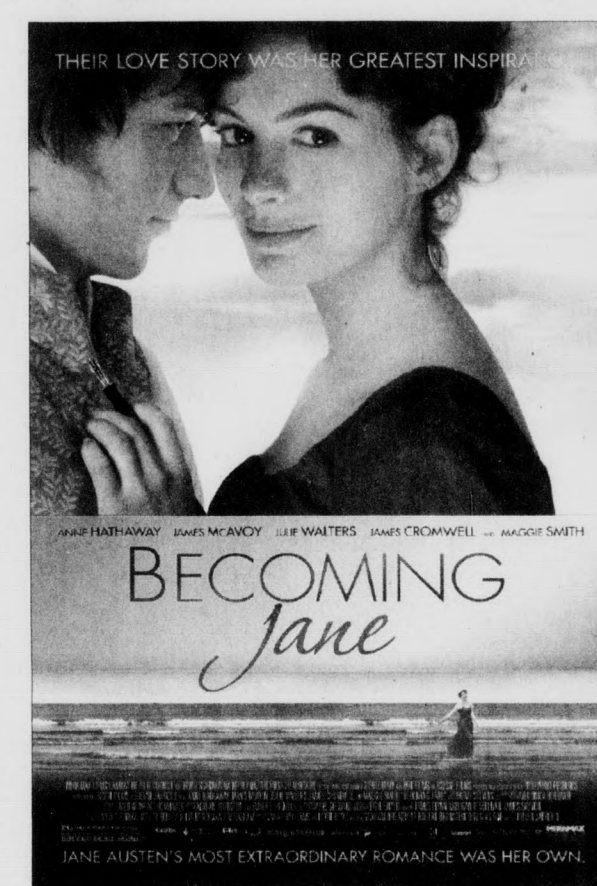
Jane finds love in a manner similar to the ways in which her book characters find love. It begins with contempt. When Tom Lefroy (James McAvoy) enters Jane's life, he causes many disruptions. He insults

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characters find love.*

her, he is poor and although he is going to become a lawyer, at the moment he relies on his relatives' fortune. After much witty banter and flirting, the two fall in love.

Unfortunately, they are both poor and their families disapprove of such a match. Caught up in the frenzy of love, the pair attempt to run away together and simply enjoy life in each other's company. Sense soon returns to Jane, and she realizes this is no way to live her life. Heartbroken, Jane later channels her energy into her novels, which in turn have captivated audiences for the past century.

While Hathaway ("The Princess Diaries," "The Devil Wears Prada") does an adequate job as Jane, her British accent leaves something to be desired. Also, it is impossible for Hathaway to completely immerse herself in a role; there are always remnants of other characters she has portrayed in her acting. Although Hathaway is likable, she is much too attrac-



Courtesy of Internet Movie Database

tive to play Austen, who sadly died an old maid.

McAvoy does a decent job as Lefroy. He has certainly cleaned up since his days as the goat-like Mr. Tumnus of "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe." He truly channels the passion of Lefroy's love in his portrayal. Also featured in the movie are James Cromwell, Maggie Smith and Joe Anderson.

Overall, the film was respectable, but nothing groundbreaking. The tale of Austen was greatly romanticized, but still enjoyable. The movie's costumes and set design were admirable, as was the score. The acting was adequate, but there was something missing to make the film great—perhaps the lack of originality.

While the end of the film does hold the audience in an emotional and moving moment, the whole film just does not feel satisfactory. "Becoming Jane" is great for Jane Austen fans who enjoy watching their idol suffer on screen for about two hours. And while the film sends the message that great writers must suffer, perhaps it is a story that should have remained in the books instead of on the screen.

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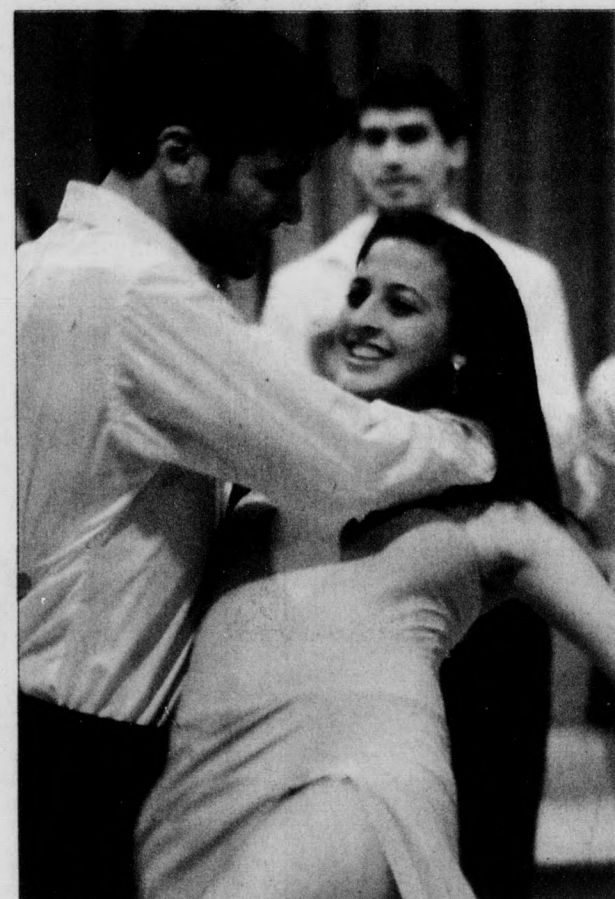
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Monique Leung '08 dances with professional dancer Karri Urbailiak. Leung and Urbailiak performed five pieces together at Latino Dance Corner's fourth annual Showcase Dinner.

Latino Dance Corner Showcase

Latino Dance Corner presented their fourth annual Showcase Dinner on Saturday, March 1 to a sold-out crowd in Larison Dining Hall. Dances included the salsa, rumba, cha-cha, samba, jive and tango. In addition to the dance performances, Hispanic cuisine was served and a raffle was held at the end of the event with prizes donated by several Market Street businesses. This year's Showcase raised \$660 for the Bucknell Brigade's efforts in Nicaragua.



Sean Bloomberg '09 and Ashley Avilleira '11 dance at the Showcase. Dances included salsa, cha-cha, Rumba, Argentina Tango and more.

No business like show business

Student interns for three prestigious New York City theatre productions

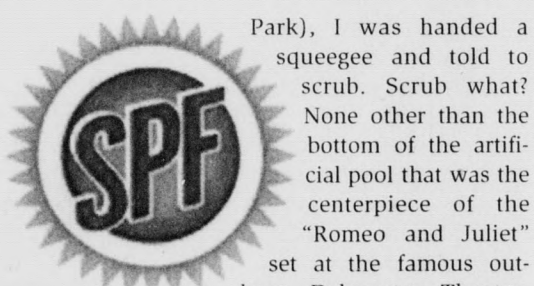
By RACHEL SHERBILL
Contributing Writer

To your typical audience member, the theater reflects music, bright colors and enchantment. But, when the lights come back on and the audience shuffles out, the theater takes on a whole new character.

In the past three years on campus, I have dedicated my time to working as a stage manager for the theatre and dance department. The pressure of "calling" a show and giving direction and advice to the cast is something of a thrill.

This past summer, through support of the Bucknell Public Interest Program, I was able to live my dream of working on a New York City theater production. In fact, I worked on three of them. Truth be told, my summer behind the curtain was not the glamour and fame I always imagined. In fact, it was a lesson in humility.

People often say you have to scrub the bottom before you can reach the top. Imagine my horror when, my first day working for the prestigious Public Theater's New York Shakespeare Festival (better known as Shakespeare in the



Park), I was handed a squeegee and told to scrub. Scrub what? None other than the bottom of the artificial pool that was the centerpiece of the "Romeo and Juliet" set at the famous outdoor Delacorte Theater.

Every other day, the production interns (my position) were responsible for draining the pool and removing the moss, algae and bugs off the bottom of "the puddle." While at first this seems pretty nasty, we soon got used to the routine and learned to have fun with it by listening to music and playing games while we scrubbed. Though this was never a favorite intern activity, all of us knew this task was a necessary evil and complaining wouldn't help the time go faster.

My next gig was for the New York Classical Theatre (affectionately referred to as "Shakespeare on the Run"). Their gimmick involved dramatic interpretations of Shakespearean plays, but in the middle of Central

Park for the entire world to see. Here's how it worked: At the end of each scene, the audience (about 300 people each night) would have to run to the location of the next scene, led by the hard charging interns (me). No set. No seats. No lighting. What's a production intern to do?

My job turned out to be a glorified "pooper-scooper," and I was assigned to check the grounds for sticks and dog droppings prior to each show. My all time low occurred when I found a condom lying smack in the middle of the path that would soon be trampled on by our audience. I picked it up (using gloves of course) and disposed of it. I had hit rock bottom.

However, my New York theater experience did have a shine to it after all. For starters, I was always needed at rehearsals and became an integral part of the show's production. Each day was different, with new assignments and interesting people to meet.

One highlight of the summer occurred with the Summer Play Festival, my third and final internship. The Summer Play Festival is a fringe-type festival that showcases the works of up and coming playwrights.

I worked on two shows for the Festival, "My Wandering Boy" by Julie Marie Myatt and "Not Waving" by Ellen Melaver. While working on "Not Waving," one of the actresses, Mary, was having difficulty memorizing her lines so I often stayed after rehearsals to practice with her.

Before "Not Waving" opened, Mary treated me to a fancy dinner at Sardi's, a New York Theater institution, in the exclusive upstairs dining room reserved for Equity actors only. Mary delighted in pointing out and introducing me to famous Broadway actors. As a bonus, she gave me a backstage tour of the "Beauty and the Beast" production where she was currently performing as Madame de la Grande Bouche. It was an amazing experience and one I will never forget.

Another favorite summer perk occurred the opening night of "Romeo and Juliet." Each year on the opening night of Shakespeare in the Park, the Public Theater hosts its annual gala, a star-studded event for noted stars of stage and screen. This year, the production interns were "lucky" enough to work a 24-hour shift at the gala. Starting at 7 a.m., we unloaded trucks, set up lights and tables, and made sure the theater was spotless. Around 5 p.m., the red carpet—literal-



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ly—was rolled out as the stars arrived in golf carts.

We interns were allowed to change into our party attire and stationed ourselves at the foot of the red carpet as guests arrived. Cynthia Nixon, Idina Menzel and Zach Braff all breezed by me. During the second act it began to rain. No, it poured, and there was thunder and lightning all around. The show came to an abrupt stop (outdoor theater, remember) as guests fled for shelter.

As people were headed indoors, we interns headed out to remove the valuable table decorations and lighting equipment. Eventually the rain let up and the party began. My fellow interns and I were given free time to join the fun before the hard work of cleanup began.

My summer working in New York theater was certainly anything but ordinary. Though at times, it seemed my jobs were less than appealing, I realized I was experiencing a tremendous learning opportunity. After living in New York City for three months, I went home with a better idea of my career path and a sense of the hard work and commitment it will take to get there. I know there will be more pools to clean and more stage floors to mop, but I remain faithful to a career in the theater. I hold on to the greatest feeling of watching a delighted audience on opening night and being able to know I played a part in making the magic.



Student intern Rachel Sherbill '09 had to drain and scrub this pool at the Delacorte Theatre. Cleaning duties were one of the less exciting aspects of her theatre production internship.

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Brigade members awarded \$10,000 grant

By Wendy Schibener
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Seven University students of the Bucknell Brigade, a campus group organizing humanitarian trips to Nicaragua, recently received a \$10,000 Project for Peace grant from the Davis United World College Scholar Program for their efforts in aiding Nicaraguan banana workers.

Christian Etherneth '09, Emily Rath '09, Alex Madsen '08, Grace Han '11, Kylie Brandt '10, Connie Low '08 and Dick Muyambi '11 were awarded the grant to fund a documentary protesting the treatment of banana

workers in Nicaragua by large corporations such as Dole and Chiquita. Many of the corporations use poisonous pesticide on their banana plantations in order to kill the worms ruining the bananas.

"The Nicaraguans' problems extend beyond this chemical problem," Muyambi said. "Like most people I was shocked and upset about it."

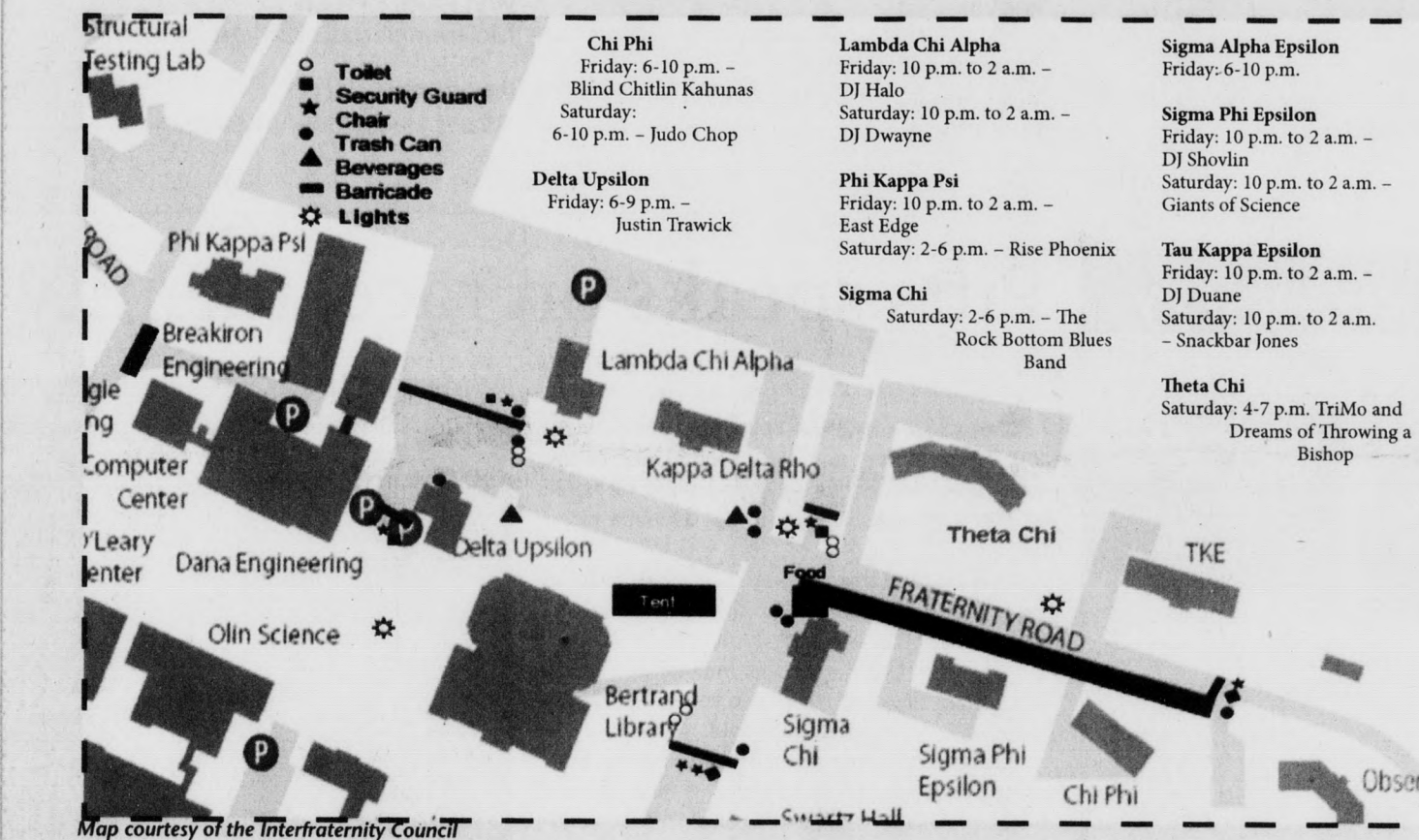
Banned in the United States in 1979 due to health risks such as breast and uterine cancer, infertility, skin problems and miscarriages, the pesticide continues to be used on the Nicaragua-

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Nicaraguan banana workers protesting the use of poisonous pesticides on their banana plantations. The pesticides were banned in the United States due to health risks such as cancer, infertility, skin problems and miscarriages.

House Party 2008



PS implements further precautions, prepares for weekend

By Emilija Rygelis
Writer

This year's House Party Weekend will have new regulations enforced due to issues that occurred in previous years.

"Some of Bucknell's biggest problems during House Party have been with non-Bucknell students," said Jack Swain '10, special events chair of the Interfraternity Council (IFC). "In the past, random people have come up to the wristband tent and asked a Bucknell student to buy them a wristband."

There were also issues concerning open containers.

"There were a few houses that were allowing students and visitors to leave with alcohol and cans in their hands. Those under 21 were cited and the others were asked to throw away their cans," said Chief of Public Safety Jason Friedberg. "The houses were warned and advised that subsequent viola-

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THE BUCKNELL FORUM: THE CITIZEN & POLITICS IN AMERICA

Best-selling author speaks on poverty

Speaker focuses on race and politics

Ehrenreich connects poverty and politics

By Sophia Leong
News Editor

A best-selling author and columnist said poverty and economic distress are the central issues in the upcoming primary election at the Weis Center for Performing Arts March 17.

Barbara Ehrenreich, best known for her book, "Nickel and Dimed: On (Not) Getting By in America," spoke in "Working for Change: Citizenship and Class in America." Ehrenreich is the third speaker this semester in the "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen & Politics in America" series.

"Poverty is not a character defect. Poverty is not a lifestyle mistake. Poverty is a shortage of money," Ehrenreich said. "And the main reason for that shortage money in our society today is inadequate pay."

While writing "Nickel and Dimed," Ehrenreich's experiences as an undercover low wage worker exposed a series of ills within working class America; low wage workers are constantly faced with barriers to jobs, a lack of basic freedoms at the workplace, and poor working conditions.

Workers' rights are forfeited

in the low wage workplace, and these low wages are what help generate the wealth at the very top, Ehrenreich said.

Ehrenreich criticized current attempts by political leaders and their submission to the efforts of lobbyists, tax cuts for the rich and social program cuts.

Instead, she supported a stimulus package to directly extend unemployment benefits and food

stamp allotments, subsidized housing and job generation during this time of economic distress.

"Class polarization undermines democracy," Ehrenreich said. "And our ultimate strength as citizens is the ability to build movements to make change at the grassroots."

Ehrenreich urged the audience to use the ability to build movements around economic vulnerability. She also encouraged the promotion of social justice and world peace and to carry on the fight against racial and gender inequalities.

"[The movement] brings us all together—the poor and middle class, white, black and brown, women and men. I know we can do it," Ehrenreich said. "And I know we can do it because we've done it before."

Some thought her lecture was very unique.

"I was really surprised that Bucknell had someone so liberal speak in the series," Bryan Coleman '11 said. "Her ideas were a reality that many Bucknellians don't experience."

Her pitch for Obama was a signal to me that his candidacy really does transcend lines of race, age and gender," Coleman said.

While students enjoyed the talk, many opinions surfaced regarding Ehrenreich's open support for the Obama campaign.

"While I definitely agreed with Ehrenreich's lecture, I did not think it was necessarily appropriate for the Bucknell Forum series given that she leaned heavily towards the left," Molly Burke '10 said. "Her plug for Obama did not seem appropriate either, nor [were] her facial expressions after the BUCC (Bucknell University Conservatives Club) [representative] spoke."

Another student echoed similar sentiments regarding her open support for Obama.

"I personally support Barack Obama, but her speech would have made me feel uncomfortable if I had an alternate viewpoint," Barbara Summers '11 said. "I was under the impression that the speech was going to be about her social research, but about I remember most from her speech was her political view."

By Hallie Stebbins
News Editor

A Pulitzer Prize winner and author criticized America's unbecoming preoccupation with race in the 2008 presidential election Monday night in Trout Auditorium.

Leonard Pitts Jr. spoke in "America's Second Black President: Race, Politics and Obama," the last event of the semester in the series "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen & Politics in America."

Pitts directed his audience's attention to the eruption of media surrounding the question, "Is Obama black enough?" He did not seek to give an answer but rather concentrated upon the absurdity of posing such a question at all.

He questioned, "What is black?" He asked the audience to consider how someone can be "black enough" as well as who is given the task of defining such a term.

Pitts pointed out that as Americans, both black and white, struggle to define race by questioning Barack Obama's identity, they are revealing themselves in unflattering ways.

He also said those who try to say Obama is

not "black enough" stand alongside those who attempt to portray him as "something other than American, something other than patriotic" in the struggle to use race to explain or de-value achievement.

Pitts said Americans should be reminded blacks have been in America since before America was proclaimed a country. They should take notice that the struggle to prove "Americanness" is not unfamiliar to black Americans. This age-old fight highlights the fact that the ideal, "liberty and justice for all," is still just that—an ideal.

Drawing on his own experience of winning the Pulitzer Prize for commentary in 2004, Pitts commented upon many Americans' unjust conflation of race and merit. He declared that just as there were some who attributed his accomplishment solely to his race, so there are those who belittle Obama's successes because he is black. If we want to talk about achievements based on racial preference, Pitts said, we need to begin by analyzing every success realized by a white male.

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The Bucknellian staff defends its decision to print a critical opinions article about field hockey.

Feats take a second look at this year's Asian Gala.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, March 19

ALARM / INTRUSION
President's House: Set off by employee.

ALARM / FIRE
President's House: Caused by accident.

ALARM / FIRE
President's House: Caused by accident.

Thursday, March 20

ASSIST / POLICE
Off Campus: Assist East Buffalo Police Department.

DRUG VIOLATION
Vedder Hall: Under investigation.

Friday, March 21

DISTURBANCE
Swartz Hall: Unfounded.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT
Lambda Chi Alpha: Citation filed.

MISSING PERSON
Hulley House: Individual located.

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF / THEFT
Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium Lot: Under investigation.

THEFT
Kenneth Langone Athletic & Recreation Center: Under investigation.

PROPERTY / FOUND
Off Campus: Report filed.

LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION
Langone Center: Underage possession of alcohol.

Saturday, March 22

DISTURBANCE
Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Warning issued.

Krebs Fitness Center: Detector malfunction.

Sunday, March 23

ASSIST / POLICE
St. George Street: Assist Lewisburg Police Department.

ALARM / FIRE
Edwards House: Cause by cooking.

Monday, March 24

LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION
Bucknell West: Possession of beer kegs.

MEDICAL REFUSAL
McDonnell Hall: Student refused medical treatment.

PROPERTY / FOUND
Swartz Hall: Traffic cone found.

MISSING PERSON
Vaughn Lit: Person located.

VEHICLE ACCIDENT
23 University Ave.: Under investigation.

Tuesday, March 25

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Olin Science: Under investigation.

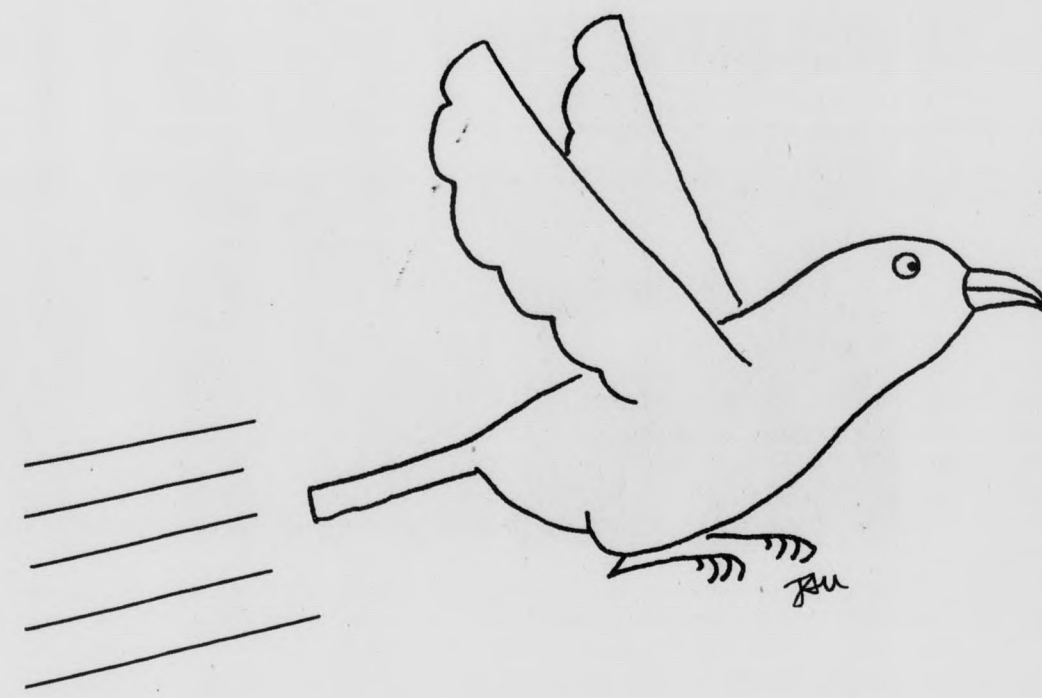
ALARM / FIRE-PURCHASING
Cause unknown.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
Farm Lot: Under investigation.

DISTURBANCE
Roberts Hall: Unfounded.

WELFARE CHECK
McDonnell Hall: Student located.

PROPERTY / LOST
Swartz Hall: Under investigation.



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Pitts speaks on race, identity

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Pitts said Obama has won more states, votes and delegates than any other Democratic candidate. The attention he receives should be based on that accomplishment and not ascribed to his race.

Pitts asserted that although it is unfair to focus solely on race in politics, avoidance of the subject of race altogether is equally ludicrous.

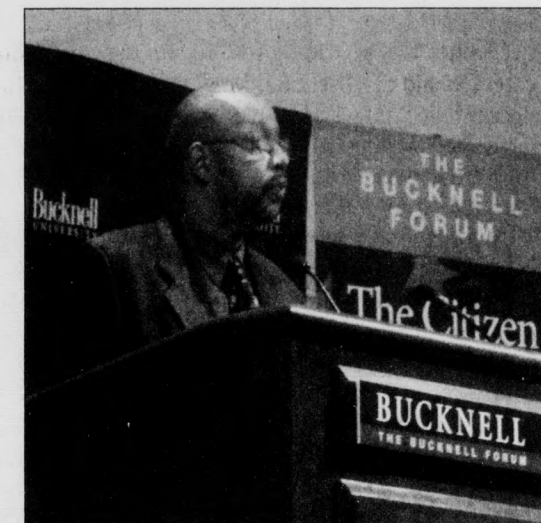
"If you look at Barack Obama and don't see a black man, that doesn't tell me you're colorblind. It tells me you're blind," Pitts said.

According to Pitts, the key is finding that middle ground. Identity is a matter of race, culture, location, music, work and books. To focus conveniently on only one of these facets and use it to define an individual is simply unacceptable, he said.

That is, however, the plight of many of black Americans. Pitts challenges white Americans to "imagine if the world elevated one of these dimensions for all of your life."

Pitts said he likes Barack Obama but "not because he's black." He said Obama is an eloquent writer making for an exceptional candidate because of his intelligent consideration of the issues of national discourse. Pitts urges his audience to focus on those issues as well and not to allow race to consume them.

"Race has a way of sucking all the oxygen out of the room," Pitts said. It is in the interest of fur-



Leonard Pitts Jr. questions the place of race in politics. He is a Pulitzer Prize winning columnist and author.

thering this country's ideals of liberty and justice for every citizen that we should say, "Not this time."

Student reaction to the talk seems to be positive. Ava Ginsberg '11 said, "I found myself thinking about his speech later on that night, which, to me, is evidence of the success of his message. He spoke truthfully, with no constraints and his main goal was obviously one of inciting the audience to think about the issue of race and politics."

Obama surrogates vouch for character

Actors Dulé Hill and Zachary Quinto support Barack Obama

By Susan Misur
Assistant Chief Copy Editor

The current presidential campaign hasn't yet spurred candidates to stop by the University, but it has drawn celebrities to the campus.

Actors Dulé Hill and Zachary Quinto spoke to an overflowing Trout Auditorium March 17 in support of Barack Obama in an event sponsored by the University's College Democrats and Students for Barack Obama groups.

Hill, of "West Wing" and "Psych," and Quinto, of "Heroes," said they were inspired to get involved with Obama's campaign because they think he has the ability to make positive changes in the country.

"I want to help fuel the momentum and embrace the sweeping change ... symbol-

ized by this revolutionary man," Quinto said to the audience.

"I believe there is a leader in Obama to bring change," Hill said to the crowd after Quinto spoke. "He has honesty, knowledge, sound judgment and other qualities I believe make him uniquely qualified to be the best

frican-American are contenders. He said he hopes this happens again in the future, and that the "barrier comes down."

About six questions were asked after the actors spoke, and members of Students for Barack Obama often helped answer questions along with Hill and

knowledgeable about Barack's stance on specific issues," Roth said.

"Simply using their celebrity status as motivation for students to support a 'great leader and truly unique candidate' was inexcusable in my opinion," he said.

Roth said he attended the event to learn about where Obama stands on issues and to become more educated about the campaign. He hopes Obama will soon make an appearance to elaborate on his ideas.

There is currently no word on whether Obama or additional surrogates of his campaign will visit the University. The Students for Barack Obama president, Tim Hoffman '10, said the club is "working on it."

The Students for Barack Obama group started last fall with about 10 members, Hoffman said. There are now about 150 in the group, which helped with petition-signing in Lewisburg for Obama and his delegates to be on the Pennsylvania ballot.

They have also helped with student voter registration.

"I felt that although the actors did their duty in supporting Barack's campaign and raising hype ... they each could have shown more passion for the man they are generously promoting as well as been more knowledgeable about Barack's stance on specific issues."
Colin Roth '08

president."

Quinto said Obama's experience is rooted in humanity and a connection to people and "genuinely believe[s] this is the only potentially last true hope for a very wounded, divided country."

In response to a question about issues of racism and sexism hindering America, Hill said he has seen improvement since both a woman and an Af-

Quinto.

Colin Roth '08, who attended the speeches, thought the actors should have been more informed and able to answer questions.

"I felt that although the actors did their duty in supporting Barack's campaign and raising hype ... they each could have shown more passion for the man they are generously promoting as well as been more

Brigade to bring message to legislators

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guan plantations.

"The Nicaraguans were not told about the effects of the pesticide," Madsen said. "Years later they began developing cancer and skin pigmentation problems, but could not receive the proper healthcare and basic medical needs."

The Brigade's annual trips to Nicaragua help by donating basic necessities and providing health care. Donald Stechschulte, M.D. director of Student Health Services and "perpetual participant" of the Bucknell Brigade, has attended all 21 trips to Nicaragua.

"It's helpful to have a physician on the trip," Stechschulte said. "I am one of the most consistent physicians the Nicaraguan people have seen for a decade."

The students all were moved by the banana workers' situation after meeting with the workers camped outside the Managua capitol building in protest.

"As we were leaving, the workers shook our hands and gave us hugs ... they had so much faith

in us - that we can do stuff as Americans," Madsen said. "We realized that there was stuff we could get done, and that got us moving."

The students plan on returning to Nicaragua this summer to collect oral histories and personal accounts of the workers. By compiling this information, the students hope to create pamphlets and a documentary to distribute to legislators and citizens in the United States.

"We hope to raise awareness and make people understand what's going on," Madsen said. "We want people to jump on to the cause and understand and support the workers."

The Bucknell Brigade received the same grant last year for a water pipeline project that transported water to the community. The Brigade will continue trips to Nicaragua in the 2008-2009 academic year.

"I'm planning to apply to be a Bucknell Brigade leader at some point," Muyambi said. "It's a wonderful feeling to know you can help and create change for people."



Two Nicaraguan women cooking during the protest outside the Managua capitol building. Members of the Bucknell Brigade plan to make a documentary about the workers' struggle.

House Party concerns addressed in public forums

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House Party tips, courtesy of The Bucknellian Staff

- Wear comfortable shoes.
- Dress for the weather ... and spilled drinks.
- Make use of the free food! Don't forget to stay hydrated.
- Carry your BUID (and your driver's license if you're 21 and over.)
- Travel with a buddy.
- Ladies, don't bring a purse. Party light.
- Respect the fraternity brothers and their houses.
- Be smart about your hookups.
- Be conscious of the law enforcement around you
- Know your rights.
- Think twice about starting Saturday morning with a power hour.
- Don't drink from any communal sources. And don't forget to get your drinks yourself.
- Don't get seduced by band members.

tions would result in closing of the event; only one had an event closed early."

According to Friedberg, some of the steps being taken to ensure a successful weekend include limiting of alcohol delivery times and maintaining appropriate alcohol amounts of 30 cases per party.

Safety is also an issue and there will be "additional lighting across campus, specifically on Fraternity Road, to decrease the falling and ground hazard injuries that occur under dim lighting conditions," Friedberg said.

Public Safety developed strategies to prevent property damage.

"To decrease nuisance crimes such as vandalism and property damage, we closed Fraternity Road and removed all vehicles, for the first time ever, to other locations on campus," Friedberg said.

All Greek chapters underwent a complete events management training program. During the weekend, there will be tight regulation of party durations and event accountability. Public Safety clarified that party hosts will be responsible for their events and the alcohol within their events.

Public Safety officers also held public forums in various residence halls Tuesday night to discuss smart decisions and safety during House Party. Public Safety officers also held public forums in various residence halls Tuesday night to discuss smart decisions and safety during House Party.

"One of our primary goals is to ensure that all of our students receive the information they need in order to wisely make decisions," Community Resource Officer Joe Snyder said. Snyder and other officers



Public Safety Officer Joe Snyder meets with students in Trax Hall Basement to discuss House Party safety on Tuesday night. Forums such as these were part of Public Safety's efforts to ensure weekend festivities would be as enjoyable as possible.

also met with five student groups to discuss weekend events.

According to Swain, underage students can avoid citations by taking the obvious precautions they would take on any other weekend.

"If underage students are on the porch of a fraternity, for example, don't be holding a beer can. Don't carry around a House Party mug unless you have a 21-year-old wristband. Steer clear of Lewisburg P.D.," Swain said.

The main "burden" that House Party Weekend seems to bring is the preparation.

"Historically, the House Party moniker has caused an increase in time and workload for these outside agencies [surrounding law enforcement agencies] and although that is not so much the case anymore, it still requires more pre-planning," Friedberg said.

Student safety was an important factor when planning the event.

"The safety and security of House Party Weekend has increased substantially over the years," Swain said.

Regulations aside, the weekend is meant for students to have a good time, as it has been in the past.

News Briefs

Emergency notification system to be conducted next week

The Department of Public Safety will be conducting a test of the University's comprehensive emergency notification system at 9 a.m. and 9 p.m. on Monday, March 31. Members of the campus community will receive text messages, phone calls, 20/20 alerts, voicemails and e-mails to all registered forms of communication. Those receiving notification are asked to respond with a personalized code, e-mail or phone call, accordingly.

Campus members are urged to respond in order to judge effectiveness of the system. The new campus-wide public address notification system will be tested as well, delivering a test message over loudspeakers. Emergency contact information can be added or updated on myBucknell by clicking on the registration icon.

Robbins appointed new Associate Dean

Richard L. Robbins accepted appointment as the associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, effective July 1, 2008. He will be responsible for student academic affairs, especially for upper class, transfer and special students. Robbins most recently served as the director of engineering advising at Cornell University. A recipient of two National Academic Advising Association (NACADA) awards and former chair of the NACADA Summer Institute, he is presently serving as a member of the NACADA national board of directors. He will be replacing Margaret Kastner, who has been serving in an interim associate dean position.

Fall semester inaugural speaker announced

The Bucknell Forum announced Doris Kearns Goodwin as the inaugural speaker for the fall semester. Goodwin, a Pulitzer Prize-winning presidential historian will lead a talk about the semester's theme of "Power and the President." The talk is at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 30 at the Weis Center for the Performing Arts.

Housing survey to gauge needs for new residence buildings

The University is planning to build new residential halls within the next 15-18 months. The plan is part of the Campus Master Plan to improve the residential experience for students, keeping in mind the University is a residential campus with a crucial residential community.

A Housing Strategic Planning Committee is developing a plan to present to the Board in September. The co-chairs of the committee are Susan Hopp, dean of students and Dennis Hawley, associate vice president for facilities. There are several administrators, faculty and students on the committee as well.

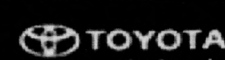
A company has been commissioned to develop a survey for students to gather information about past, current and future housing options. The survey will ask students about residential experiences, what they like about their residence halls, and what changes or additions they would like to see in the future. Student input and participation in the survey is critical as it will affect students in the future, said Hopp.

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Bringing the world to the campus community

BSG's program provides daily newspapers for students and faculty

By Michelle Laxer
News Editor

In an attempt to burst the proverbial Bucknell "bubble," the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) Executive Board implemented the USA Today Collegiate Readership Program this Monday. With free copies of The New York Times, USA Today and the Financial Times available to students daily, BSG members hope it will help instill a routine of reading the newspaper.

"Bringing the world to Bucknell everyday, everywhere on campus is a major goal and a necessity," BSG President Harry Kastenbaum '09 said.

He believes that knowledge of world events is an important aspect to an undergraduate education.

Monday served as the first day in the four week trial period for the readership program. Within these four weeks, the program's regional education manager will determine how many of each newspaper will be required for the nine racks located throughout the campus.

The readership program guarantees that there will be enough newspapers made available to meet the demands of the campus community. Kastenbaum said that the empty racks earlier in the week were a result of "growing pains," because the program managers are still trying to determine the consumption rates of individual publications in their different campus locations. He does view the empty racks as an apparent success.

According to Kastenbaum, there were an estimated 220 total papers for Monday's delivery. As program managers became more familiar with the consump-

tion trends, this number increased. Although the program allows for local and regional periodicals to be included in the racks, BSG Congress voted to keep a national and international focus. Kastenbaum also said that BSG will pe-

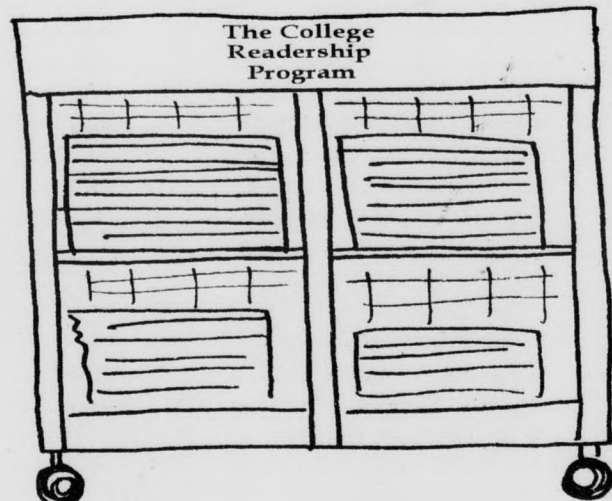
ing to continue the program next year. Kastenbaum also noted that recycling receptacles are located near each rack to ensure that the program is environmentally friendly. This readership program is the first of

reports predominantly on campus events, not national or international stories, so I do not feel our readership will significantly decrease because of similar content." Editors of other publications share

Vogue were offered for free on campus. "Our competition runs more parallel with Mirth, Grinder and Fire and Ice. And like those two publications, Be is meant to be read more for a purpose other than gathering up-to-date happenings and news," Kurz said.

According to a press release from USA Today, over 500 colleges and universities nationwide participate in their Collegiate Readership Program. The program aims to "[promote] civic engagement and broadened awareness through newspaper readership."

In addition to free daily newspapers, students will also be able to access additional online archives of selected USA Today coverage. Faculty members will be eligible for free subscriptions if they chose to incorporate readings from the newspapers into their curricula.



Looking for a copy of the New York Times, USA Today or the Financial Times? Here's a list of the current rack locations:

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- Vedder Lobby
- 7th Street Café
- Coleman Hall
- Taylor Hall
- Dana Engineering Building
- Bertrand Library
- The Bison

tionally conduct surveys to re-evaluate the needs and wants of the students. If necessary, the available newspapers may change to meet student demands. BSG is working on adding The Washington Post to the racks.

Funding for the Collegiate Readership Program comes from the Student Activities Fee, which was recently reformulated to ensure accurate distribution of finances. According to Kastenbaum, it will cost approximately \$11,220 for three periodicals at a five-percent consumption rate. This number may change depending on the individual price of the newspapers and on consumption rates. BSG is currently working to secure fund-

the Executive Board's six platform initiatives to be implemented.

"I see this as part of the legacy of BSG and this Executive Board," Kastenbaum said.

Despite the large presence of the national and international periodicals on campus, members of other campus publications are not worried about their readership.

Sarah Schubert '10, editor-in-chief of The Counterweight, is more pleased with the new program than concerned.

"I hope the increased availability of these large newspapers will help to engage and enlighten students across campus," Schubert said. "The Counterweight

similar opinions.

"I think the BSG program is great and [I] am not particularly worried that these other publications will draw away readership," said Brian Thiede '08, writer and editor for The Catalyst.

He does believe BSG should consider newsstands for the other publications.

"I think something like that would reflect that Bucknell is looking to maximize the amount of news or culture available to students and takes pride in what its students do, no matter what their political persuasion," Thiede said.

Sara Kurz '09, editor-in-chief of Be Fashion Magazine, said she would be more concerned if Lucky magazine or

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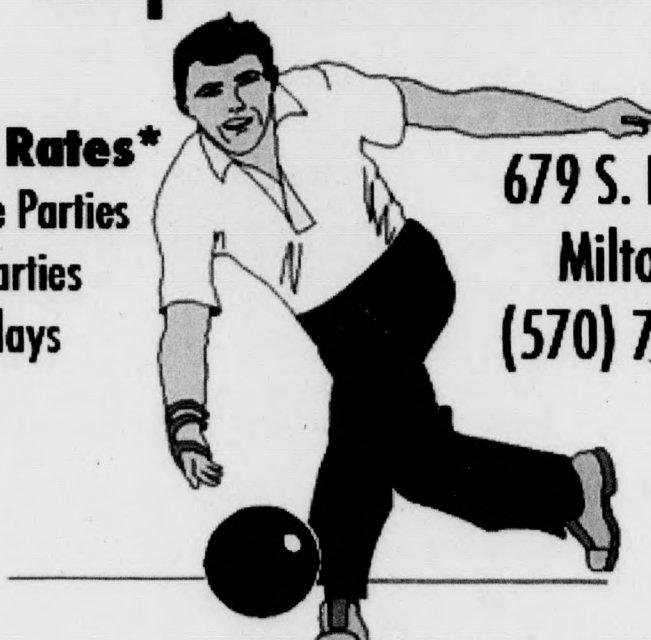
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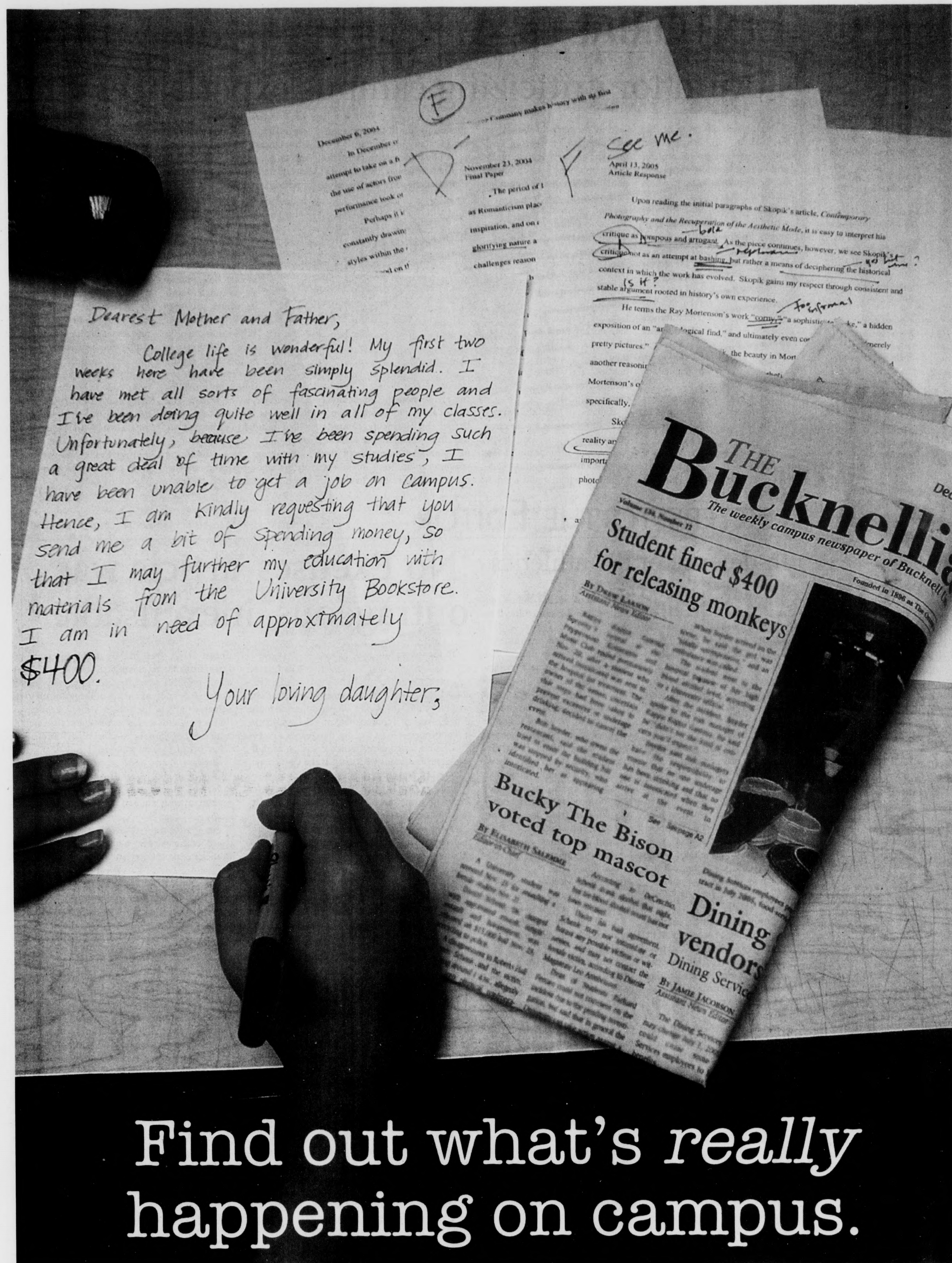
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OPINIONS

EDITORIAL

Forum for criticizing campus experiences vital

In the Feb. 29 issue of The Bucknellian, an article titled "No excuses: motto for athletes and administration" appeared in the opinions section, which discussed the author's dissatisfaction with her experience as a field hockey player at the University. Feedback criticizing both the content of the piece as well as the decision to print the article was received soon thereafter.

The editorial staff of The Bucknellian realizes that the policy of notifying potential targets of opinions articles or editorials prior to publishing was not—but should have been—followed, and we extend our regrets for such an impropriety.

This acknowledgement does not, however, indicate regret in the decision to publish the article.

The purpose of the opinions section is to explore the variety and depth of pertinent opinions

held by members of the University community, barring libelous, defamatory or unfounded viewpoints. The section, as the name implies, displays opinions of the writers, which are not endorsed by The Bucknellian as an organization.

Because writers rarely express opinions on issues about which they are not passionate, the section can inspire debate on any number of issues, whether they are campus politics, free trade bananas, or the upcoming election.

Keeping in mind that writers and editors possess a wide range of experience and skill levels, readers should understand that the opinions section aims to illuminate viewpoints and encour-

age discussion in the best manner the staff can achieve.

While some disapprove of the manner in which "No excuses" expressed the author's viewpoint,

expressing an opinion about her experiences, the author's statements cannot be validated or invalidated, but merely explains a personal reaction, which does not place it outside the realm of publishable material.

Typically, the subjects of team dynamics and disagreements fall under an unspoken code in which problems are kept "in-house."

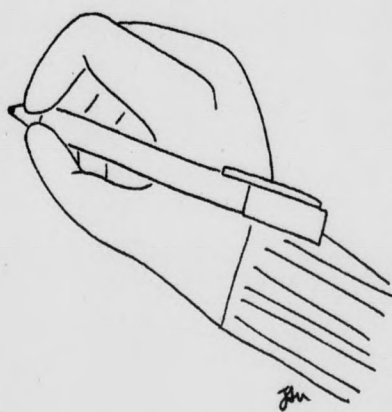
While it is rare for such situations to be discussed openly, an opinions section would be providing a disservice to its readers and its purpose if such a topic were stifled in order to protect such a tradition.

Breaking open discussion on the taboo topics of student-athletes, coaches, and team re-

lationships is not something to be shied away from by a student publication. Undoubtedly, the author's feelings are relevant within the campus community. Many student-athletes have at some time been dissatisfied with the conduct of a coach or teammate, just as many coaches have been scapegoats for situations outside of their control by fans, athletes, or parents.

The community's responses to "No excuses" indicate that strong (previously private) feelings about the topic indeed exist within the University community. As The Bucknellian opinions section provided a platform from which the student-author of "No excuses" could project her opinion, letters to the editor are a medium through which any writer of criticism or praise is provided the same courtesy, in order to expose as many points of view as possible.

Dear Editor,



the article nonetheless demonstrates an opinion from a member of the University community. In no manner were libelous or unfounded claims about the coaching staff, team members or the administration made. In

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In defense of BU athletics

To the Editor:

I want to share with you the immense feeling of pride I have as a member of the coaching staff here at the University and respond to the opinion of the author of "No Excuses: Motto for Athletics and Administration" published in The Bucknellian on Feb. 29th.

I have had the opportunity to witness the dedication and perseverance of my colleagues on a daily basis for nearly two decades. As a staff, they have chosen to spend countless evenings, weekends and summers attracting student-athletes with the character and athletic talent to represent their teams and the University in a positive manner ... all under the umbrella of the scholar-athlete.

Bucknell has had an unprecedented record of success in both its men's and women's athletic programs dating back before the inception of the Patriot League, and long before many of us occupied offices in the KLARC Athletic complex.

But, it's not all about what goes on between the lines that matters most, and it isn't about us as individuals. There are a plethora of reasons that we endure the highs and lows, the uneven playing fields, nights on the road away from our families, and the enormous challenges presented by collegiate athletics.

We champion our players' causes because someone, many years ago, did the same for us. More likely than not, we were all exposed to that profoundly dedicated teacher and coach that

embraced us with an enthusiasm and passion for something they believed in.

He or she had an unwavering commitment to success and was someone who cared enough to stand beside us through insurmountable odds and our own struggles as adolescents. It wasn't about the sport, the wins or losses, or the banners we were able to hang in our respective gymnasiums. It was more about the feeling of empowerment that we experienced as part of a team, and the privilege and opportunity to learn from an adult we respected and admired.

Just like life, there were not a lot of easy or entirely comfortable things about our own athletic experiences. Most of us learned more life lessons from these mentors than we care to admit.

The good stuff in life is never easy ... that's why they call it the good stuff.

I am thankful I work at an institution that understands the correlation between our student-athletes' success in the classroom and athletic experiences out of it. I am pleased that there are so many people here at the University that respect and recognize the achievements of our coaching staff and the truly national model the vast majority of our student-athletes represent.

Without the author's views and self-serving opinions, I know as a staff, we would not have the occasion to reflect upon our passion, purpose, and commitment to our students and their collegiate athletic experience.

Cindy Opalski

'No Excuses' article was outrageous, inexcusable

To the Editor:

I am extremely troubled by the article "No Excuses: Motto for Athletics and Administration," written by Lindsey Weller '08 that appeared in the Feb. 29 issue of The Bucknellian. I do not believe it is appropriate for a campus newspaper to serve as a forum for students' veiled criticism of individual professionals who work at the University.

Would it be appropriate for one of my advisees to write an article titled "No Excuses: Motto for Better Advising" and then blame me for not getting into her top pick of classes each semester?

There are a lot of factors beyond my control that contribute to whether one of my advisees gets her classes or not, and blaming me doesn't

Learning how to handle conflict effectively is a life lesson that serves me well as a professional ... [and] it served me well as an athlete and team leader.

Coaching is an extremely difficult profession, and the playing field is becoming more and more uneven in the Patriot League as other schools offer more and more scholarships while the University's field hockey program does not have that opportunity.

Ms. Weller is not the first collegiate athlete to like a high school coach more than her college coach. That is a matter of personal preference and not fodder for an article in which she does not even have the courage to name the coach she criticizes (a hard-working professional who has dedicated nearly two decades of service to University athletics).

I can relate to Ms. Weller's disappointment with the end results of her college athletic experience. Winning records, championship titles and individual honors are the things that all athletes

dream about—but the friendships, lessons we learn from facing adversity, the personal character, physical strength and team management skills we develop as varsity athletes are the most valuable parts of the college athletic experience. Those stay with us our entire lives; the tangible indicators of honors (e.g. trophies) end up in boxes in our parents' attic's gathering dust.

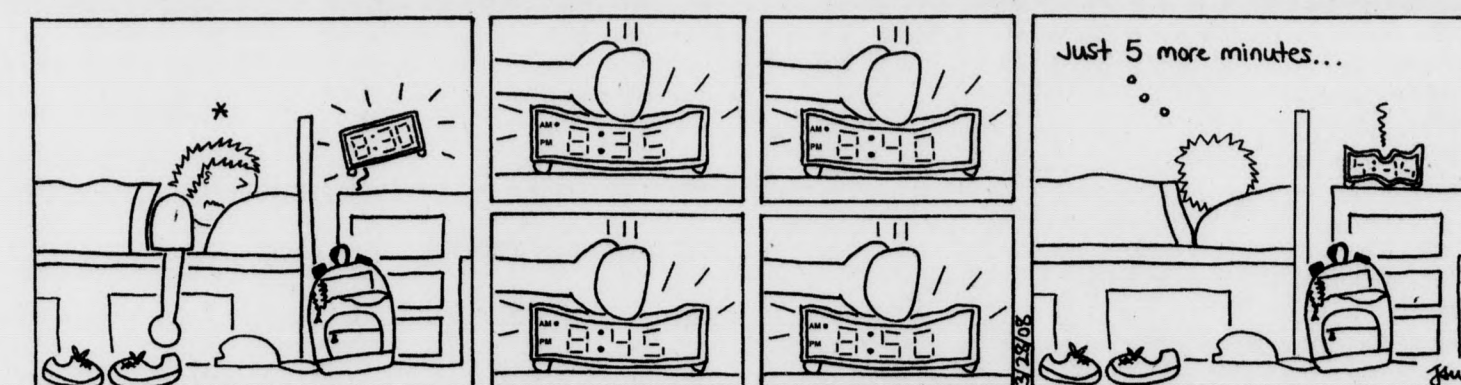
Perhaps I am even more troubled by Ms. Weller's approach to her dissatisfaction because I know how much better I handled my own disappointment with some of my college coach's decisions.

As a two-time NCAA All American, former coach and academic mentor to the men's and women's cross country and track & field teams at the University, I'd like to suggest that a better way to bring about change is through talking to people face to face, respectfully discussing different points of view, and confronting problems as an adult instead of through a passive aggressive article. Learning how to handle conflict effectively is a life lesson that serves me well as a professional -- and in the case of my disappointment with my college coach, it served me well as an athlete and a team leader.

Like any extracurricular experience, involvement in The Bucknellian should help student staff members learn skills and life lessons—not allow them to publish articles that amount to slander. I encourage The Bucknellian to reconsider its policies, retract the article and apologize to the field hockey coach. Otherwise, Ms. Weller might think her behavior was appropriate, and I can assure her that it is not—at least in the world outside the Bucknell "bubble."

Sincerely,
Sara Fry
Assistant Professor of Education

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by John Kroes



OPINIONS

Where are your manners, Bucknell?

By Jenna Silvi
Contributing Writer

University students are astonishingly discourteous. Today, I have had two people cut in front of me in line, four people physically bump into me, four people fail to hold the door, and six, (count, six!) people kick my chair while passing by in the Cafeteria. The one thing that hurts more than getting hit in the face with a door is when you realize how impolite people can be.

In all of the above instances, I did not hear one "excuse me," "I'm sorry," "pardon me" or even an "oops"—not one! When witness to rudeness, it sickens me. I find myself feeling all-too-sick these days. I don't care if you are in a rush to get somewhere or if you think that the world revolves around you—neither is an excuse to be discourteous and I will not keep silent on this matter.

The Cafeteria seems to be a breeding ground for bad manners. When kids are hungry, being polite is out of the question. It's almost as if they are so ravenous that nothing and no one else matters in their quest for sustenance.

Calm down, people! You will all get your food and you will all eventually get to eat it, so why not just be patient and polite to those around you who are in the same situation? If you accidentally bump into

someone, a simple sorry or excuse me will do.

Why not be nice to people who are not in the same situation as you? The dining service workers are working feverishly to get food to you in a timely manner and what have you been doing? Standing in line with no place to go.

Why not use that time to remember your manners for when you finally get those chicken fingers you've been waiting

The way some students here treat dining, maintenance and other service workers on campus is truly disheartening.

for. When your plate has been filled, do the right thing and utter a simple "thank you." Or, if you are feeling really ambitious, "Thank you, have a nice day."

The way some students here treat dining, maintenance and other service workers on campus is truly disheartening. These people work here to make our lives easier—the least you can do is say "hello," "please," and "thank you" when you interact with them.

The LC mall is also a danger-zone for discourteousness. We all know that the LC mall can turn into a zoo on a busy day, so we should all prepare ourselves for the

stresses of navigating it. To successfully reach your destination, remember just two words: Excuse me.

Whether you are trying to squeeze by someone who is waiting in line to buy a BU management t-shirt or if you accidentally bump into someone in the process, acknowledge any errors you may make with a simple "excuse me" and all will be well.

Finally, hold the damn door for people behind you! There is no excuse for this one: you are already holding the door open for yourself so why not take the extra millisecond to glance over your shoulder and accommodate anyone who is behind you. Better yet, if you are a guy, open the door for a lady who may be behind you. It's chivalric and considerate ... double whammy!

The perception that the University is an overall polite crowd has not been in accordance with my experiences. Whether I am in the cafeteria, the library or even in my dorm, people don't seem to care about being polite anymore. Nearly every mother's goal on this planet is to raise her child with good manners and good morals, so why do students here show no evidence of ever having learned the former?

The next time you are out and about, remember that you have the opportunity to make someone's day a little easier and a lot more pleasant by remembering your manners.



You make it, we eat it: American candy

By Noor White
Contributing Writer

Not too long ago, I happened upon a conversation involving the merits of edible bubbles. I may not so much have "happened upon" as "began" but nonetheless, it became clear that a dear friend of mine, and international student here at the University, had never heard of the idea.

Candy bubbles, for those of you who led sad childhoods devoid of such frivolity, or who unfortunately grew up in countries that don't grant their citizens the freedom to recreate anything in an ingestible form, come in packages just like any other mass market bubble solution that seem to pop up at every occasion.

The cheap, brightly-colored wand inside blows no ordinary bubbles. These magical spheres are flavored—grape and cherry concoctions reminiscent of that God-knows-how-old bottle of cough syrup you managed to scrounge from the back of

the medicine cabinet the last time you were too ill to have the better judgment to turn it down.

When she asked, "Why would you want to eat bubbles?" I experienced a sense of blankness I haven't had since a high school English teacher interrupted a high-scoring game of Tetris to inquire after the merits of Albert Camus' "The Stranger" (of which there are none).

I couldn't say "because they tasted good;" they were terrible, but why wouldn't you want to eat bubbles? I bit my tongue as it willed the response "because we can!" and my delay was interrupted by an exasperated exclamation of "Americans eat everything!"

And there it was. With one simple statement, a childhood of candy make-up, bubble gum cigars, and American flag popicles was reduced to evidence of a culture of gluttony.

Candy rocks, candy jewelry, chocolate shoes, candy cell phones, licorice coal, candy Legos, bubblegum Band-Aids—symptoms of a culture obsessed with eating things that should never

enter one's mouth. The pain of it is: it's true! You make it, we'll make it edible. And the war with obesity wages on.

While I'm not sure of the degree to which this trend is uniquely American, I will say that the strange things I've seen turn into a candy form in other countries were usually a food to begin with.

A German company, Haribo, makes my favorite gummy Cola bottles, but what candle does that hold to a candy rock? Gummy eggs were my favorite in France, and in Italy I loved the chocolate and wafer confections named "Happy Hippo." I don't know that anyone eats hippo, but I do believe that people would agree to a hippo steak before a Band-Aid sandwich.

Why do we consistently make an effort to transform everyday objects --the majority of which we don't appreciate qualities --into something we can ingest?

Perhaps it's a psychological coping mechanism, as if taking everyday objects and recreating

them in sugar could make life just a little sweeter, literally.

People like to compartmentalize things—work, family, play—into categories to make them more "digestible."

Everyone is searching for a bit of rationality in their lives, and what is rationality but putting things into perspective? Furthermore, what perspective cannot be imposed upon something you can put in your mouth and make disappear with the simple volition of the esophagus?

When I was in third grade, I won a weekly spelling bee and got to delve into Mrs. G's trunk of goodies for a prize. What I picked up was a small, plastic statue of a frog reclining under a wooden post that stated boldly: "You'd be happy too, if you could eat what bugs you."

While we may not be able to consume an overload of work, an incompetent manager, or an inconsiderate roommate, what we can consume, we will—starting with this chocolate cross I received for Easter.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR CONT.
Novel "Perfume" more nuanced than article suggested
Bucknell still "perfect college" after fifty six years

To the editor:

As the husband of a former "Bucknellian" Editor and an avid reader of your publication I am always impressed with the professionalism and high quality of your articles and reporting.

With that in mind I would like to offer my comments on Julia Fuchs' opinion on Patrick Sueskind's novel "Perfume" (p.A7 of the Feb. 29, 2008 issue). First off, I am impressed that Julia would review a foreign, 20 year-old novel (even though Julia's name sounds like she may actually be German, just like the author of "Perfume").

In discussing the novel, Julia does pick up on the fact that the narrative style doesn't fit that of a horror novel, yet she doesn't hesitate to categorize the book as exactly that. The narrative style could be seen as one of the writer's hints that there is more to this book than meets the eye at first glance.

Calling this book a horror novel is like calling the movie "No Country for Old Men" an "action movie" or "Michael Clayton" a "court room drama." Clearly all of them are about more than the obvious story, but uncovering the grander themes requires some "digging" and reading between the lines.

In fact, I would like to submit that "Perfume" is a far superior and more interesting effort at getting the underlying themes across than, say "Michael Clayton" which was nominated for tons of Oscars (and obviously has different underlying themes than "Perfume").

Quick: before "Perfume" was published (and, for that matter, since then) how many books have you read that have scent as a key theme? All types of scent, including a person's own, natural scent and how it may affect other persons' subconscious perception of you?

If nothing else, Sueskind deserves the high praise he received for this book even if you only base it on the fact that he brought well deserved attention to a typically underappreciated sense, as opposed to taste or touch.

I'm sure that not every woman at the University wears "Brit" by Burberry (or whatever else they use to cover up how their body smells naturally) all day and all night. I would think that at least a boyfriend, every once in a while, gets to experience their body's real scent, and I would guess that he likes it or else he wouldn't be their boyfriend (and vice versa).

But are there other people who don't and maybe subconsciously reject them because of it? I grant you that this doesn't translate well into English but "not liking somebody's scent" ("jemanden nicht riechen koennen") is a very common German expression and "Perfume" makes you ponder its deeper meaning. Also note how the main character of the book, Grenouille (French for "the tick"), doesn't have a scent of his own, and because of it people tend not to notice him or quickly forget that he ever existed.

Obviously the book takes the effects of smell and scent to the extreme (fainting, love, obsession, madness, cannibalism, and other extreme positive and negative impacts of the "perfect" scent) but after all this is fiction and exploring the extremes of the central theme is what makes the story effective, compelling and complete.

Sure, Sueskind could have written a non-fiction book on empirical studies of scent and how they are taken into account by a multi-billion dollar industry that creates fragrances not only for eau de toilettes but also for soaps, laundry detergents and a million other uses.

But who would have read that book? Isn't it much more skillful and interesting to include these central questions and themes in a novel and overlay them with a suspenseful story?

I hope that Ms. Fuchs does not take my comments as negative criticism of her review, but rather as an encouragement to "dig deeper" and look for grander themes and meaning in all types of art and life in general.

Keep up the good work. Go Bison!

Sascha Schwarzbauer

To the editor:

Fifty-six years ago in 1952, I set foot on the University campus. The four years spent pursuing a B.S. in commerce and finance prepared me for my business career, developed me socially, and provided friendships that have endured strongly to this day. I can only wonder what might have been had I gone elsewhere.

Surely my life would have turned out differently, and not as well. This fact makes me appreciate even more what the University did for me. My objective is to share observations of changes that have occurred and also to comment on areas that are the same today as they were 50 years ago.

In 1981, I was honored to join the Board of Trustees. I had the privilege to serve the University for 25 years, becoming an emeritus trustee in 2006.

One major area of change is how the board functioned in the early '80s and the way it operates today. The composition of the board in the '80s, both in numbers of trustees and diversity, was much different. I see clearly through my retirement that today's board thoroughly reviews and critically examines issues before it in an efficient committee system.

Recommendations by committee chairmen are made at the full board meetings and, following further discussion, the board makes its decision on actions.

The committee system in the '80s was less effective; issues were not as critically examined and openly discussed. The University president wasn't even a member of the board. This is not a criticism of the dedicated trustees back then, but a commendation of those who serve now.

The Plan for Bucknell states, "Bucknell will secure the resources necessary to engage new opportunities, lessen its dependence on tuition, and ensure its financial future." This statement wasn't embraced in the early '80s; in fact, the board was just waking up to its responsibility to encourage annual giving and, by example, increase the size of the endowment.

Change began to take place when it was realized that we woefully trailed peer schools in campaign success, annual giving and the percentage of alumni who supported the University. Today the University

is planning the largest campaign in its history, and I have no doubt the board will provide the leadership to ensure success.

When I first stepped foot on the University campus, it struck me that this was the perfect college setting. This impression has not changed. Buildings have been added and the enrollment has increased, but the commitment to keeping the campus pristine remains strong today. And the campus master plan that is proposed will further enhance the beauty of the University.

Yes, change has taken place but the commitment to preserving the integrity of the campus remains steadfast. I mentioned that in my undergraduate years I developed strong friendships that have endured.

I believe this is a unique feature of University life and one that persists today. Many of my friends who attended other colleges marvel at the number of Bucknellians I have as lifelong friends. In contrast, most say they have lost contact with college friends.

Freshmen in 1952 were required to wear beanies and have their name on a sign around their neck. This practice has ended, a wise decision. Also, freshmen back then were required to attend 30 chapel services. This requirement also has been discontinued, another wise decision.

Still, Bucknell remains a unique liberal arts university with strong engineering, science and business components. The plan for the future includes many growth elements that will further this reputation. The board is an integral part of the way the University runs and is stronger today than in the past. The campus has grown but has retained its beauty.

Financial support is the major engine that drives progress, and the University will be even stronger in the near future. Customs dating back to the '50s have disappeared, but new ways of doing things have replaced them.

And to the students, as a member of the class of 1956, I am confident when I say that friendships formed now will endure for a lifetime.

'Ray Bucknell!
Sam Posner '56, Trustee Emeritus

Hookups: dating in reverse?

Lindsey Weller
Contributing Writer

You would think after going to the University for almost four years I would have figured out the "dating" scene here. Well, that never happened, and it continues to fascinate and sometimes confuse me. I'm hesitant to even use the word dating to describe the unique mating rituals of our generation, especially here.

For me, dating implies asking someone to spend time with you, perhaps going to dinner or a movie, with the hopes of determining his or her compatibility and relationship potential. If it goes well, other dates follow, and if not, then the relationship stops there.

Another key part of dating is testing the waters and seeing who's out there. A week might consist of more than one date, but the main point of those dates is to get to know the other person. Once you find someone you want to be more serious with, then the exclusivity and intimacy begin.

In certain ways, the relationship culture on campus matches this dating culture description, but the boundaries and series of events are much less clear than dating

implies. It is similar because you can meet someone you like and continue to pursue them, and (if you are not exclusive) you can be interested in and pursue several people at the same time. But the formalities and clear process defining dating don't really seem to apply.

This is not to say that "regular" dating doesn't have its own complications, but simply that dating definitions on campus are more flexible and fluid than traditional ones.

For one, I'm not exactly sure what constitutes a date in the "Bucknell bubble." Pursuing someone to get to know him or her isn't necessarily the first thing that comes to mind when I think of "dating" here.

This is no secret as evidenced by a review of the University in a current college guidebook: "There isn't much of a dating scene at Bucknell. Most students would generally agree that random hook-ups are much more common and dating is not the norm."

I am not saying there are no couples here; I actually know many official, exclusive couples. What it really comes down to is there seems to be no clear middle

ground in the love world here; it's the two extremes of being committed or being a part of the random hook-up scene.

Maybe committed and meaningful "hooking up" (if that makes any sense) has become the middle ground for our generation. It seems like hooking up with someone consistently and with good intentions but without an official relationship title is our equivalent of dating.

Basically, it seems like campus trends have reversed the typical relationship order with hooking up first and dating (or our version of it) second.

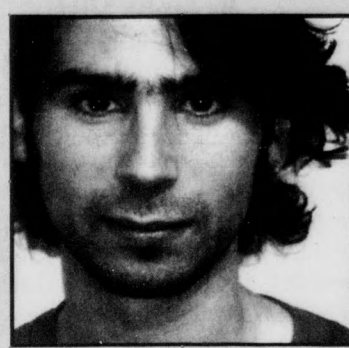
Although our dating might not be conventional we must be doing something right; after all, in comparison to other schools, the University has one of the highest percentages of students who marry one another. So I guess if it's not broken, don't fix it.

Writing from a female perspective, I can say that even though girls are as much a part of the hook-up scene at the University as guys, deep down we definitely have a soft spot for old-fashioned romance. So boys, make sure you keep that in mind when you decide you are ready to enter the committed end of the spectrum.

My Favorite Mistake

Short shirt cycles

By Michael Dippery
Senior Writer



I have a confession. I'm guilty of rapidly cycling through my shirts. The root cause is a clothing deficiency: I have a finite and (in fact) very small number of shirts. Finding a shirt to wear is often a chore, because I have to wear them in such an order as to make it look like I really have tons and tons of cool shirts, when in fact I have hardly any at all.

The biggest reason for this wardrobe shortage is my size. It's hard to find clothes that fit properly. I'm not certain, but I think it has something to do with the fact that I'm 5'2".

Clothing isn't made for guys who are 5'2"—unless you're about 14, that is. Some people have suggested that I buy the clothing meant for 14-year-olds. That's not really a practical solution because, well, then I'd look like a 14-year-old.

This problem is easy for guys to understand, but very hard for women. At the tender age of 14, guys and girls dress radically differently. Girls dress older and cover themselves in makeup in order to appear to be 18 or maybe even 21; that's why a synonym for "14-year-old girl" is "jailbait."

A very petite young woman could probably buy clothes meant for a 14-year-old girl and still look roughly her age. Fourteen-year-old guys, on the other hand, dress in what appeals to 14-year-olds, which are generally t-shirts with a skateboarding theme or something else

"extreme." You see, until a guy is about 20 years old, he holds the strong conviction that women dig guys who skateboard, or play the guitar or both. And some certainly do. They're called groupies. But most don't. This is probably the single biggest reason why women go for older men. Older men know that skateboarding isn't cool.

I considered myself a true adult when I realized skateboarding was not cool. That epiphany was my own personal coming-of-age moment.

Don't get me wrong—just because skateboarding isn't cool doesn't mean it's not fun. It's even a great form of transportation for the environmentally- or budget-conscious college student.

But fun does not equal cool. Exhibit A: Last last issue's column about Dungeons and Dragons.

Realizing this truism of the universe has not solved my clothing woes—clearly another example of the injustice of the world. I still am condemned to forever being pressed to wear shirts with a skateboarding theme.

Or I could just go with Plan B: an endless stream of white t-shirts.

Obama addresses race issues with poise

By Carl Beien
Contributing Writer

On Tuesday, March 18, presidential candidate Barack Obama sought to allay his supporters' fears that incendiary, hateful and divisive comments made by his former pastor, Jeremiah Wright, might derail his candidacy.

In that speech, he denounced the comments, and sought to explain his connection to the man. Then, he took the opportunity to step out on a limb. He jumped, two feet forward, onto the third rail of American politics. He addressed issues of race relations in America head on, from his perspective as a Black American, as well as from the vantage point of White America.

He not only addressed the topic at hand but also rooted causes that made it an issue in the first place. In doing so, he showed America what kind of a leader he truly is. In regards to his former pastor, Obama said the vast majority of the time, his congregation was lead in a way that called for compassion and good works.

While he disagreed with some of the views his pastor had, he felt that much more good was being done in that place

than bad. He said he could disagree with the man and still attend church, a decision he feels many Americans make about their own congregations.

In the wake of this speech, many critical commentators suggested he did not go far enough in explaining his connections with this man, whom we have seen caricatured on television. Unfortunately, commentators will, by nature, select only the quotes from his speech that prove their own points. To decide whether he went far enough in this justification, one must watch the speech.

But Obama turned the discussion far beyond this relatively simple controversy. He took the time to try and explain how a man like Reverend Wright can exist, and in that description, how the Black community can explain him, and itself. He detailed, in no vague terms, how systematic, epistemic racism before the Civil Rights movement still lingers in the Black community today. But what he sought to dwell on was not how many Black men and women, given this history, have failed to prosper, but how many have succeeded. In this way, he most soundly denies any connection he might have to Wright's comments. He said his own candidacy is proof

of how far we've come, and that is to be celebrated.

But Obama didn't stop there. He went on further to give credence to Wright's distaste for how we've sought to deal with racial issues in this country and how a broken welfare system and affirmative action have clearly harbored resentment in the white community. Then he told us resentment is OK, but if we continue to ignore these problems, we will ultimately sustain them.

That was the real message of the speech, that so much of what defines our current national conversation on these issues is just ignoring the causes of the problems. It is this kind of frank conversation we have been trained to shy away from. But it is also this ignorance we look to our leaders to help us overcome.

In this moment, Barack Obama has stepped onto what will surely be his most dangerous political tightrope yet. In the midst of a tight campaign, this speech shows us what kind of a mind this leader has. Not one of clouded, safe politics, but one filled with the complexities that define all of us, and one that is truly eager to lead this country towards "a more perfect union."

Persecuting America's new "Others"

By Lauren Berninger
Contributing Writer

Black, white; Japanese, American; communist, capitalist; immigrant, citizen; Muslim, Non-Muslim. For centuries this nation has been "othering" different groups of people based on characteristics such as race, religion, ethnicity and political beliefs. Prior to the Civil Rights Movement, non-"others" discriminated against African-Americans with Jim Crow laws, racist attitudes and brutal lynching. The Red Scare brought about the Communist witch hunt that left many imprisoned, others deported and some even dead. During World War II we rounded up thousands of innocent Japanese-Americans and placed them in internment camps in the name of national security.

Recently, we began building a wall to keep Mexican immigrants from stepping foot on American soil. Most importantly, today we are submerged in a war on terror where the enemy is loosely and erroneously defined as the entire Islamic world. What is the common element here? In each of these cases, the mainstream population has deemed one group an enemy or a problem whose elimination or suppression is thought to bring about a brighter future.

Othering is not a new practice; since the beginning of civilization people have distinguished themselves from outsiders. In fact, language itself is rooted in difference; there is no inside without outside, no black without white, no immigrant without citizen. Consequently, there can be no self without other.

The problem with othering is not an obvious one. There is nothing wrong with recognizing difference. The difficulty rests in how one is described in relation to the other, when one group receives all of the positive attributes while the other is unfortunately assigned only the negative ones. The real trouble comes with what David Campbell and Michael Shapiro would

term "moral spaces" where the privilege held by some on the inside relies upon the exclusion of the other on the outside. In the context of today, security is one privilege that comes with a price tag. For the American people, post-modernists such as Anthony Burke argue, security comes at the expense of the other i.e. one's security is the other's insecurity.

Burke argues that "security has written us." It has become a part of our identity as American citizens. Common feelings of fear and hatred against our enemy, the other, bind us together as a nation and are strengthened by the language of our leaders. President George Bush's 2002 state of the Union address is a supreme example of how the government painted a picture of the other, in this case Islamic extremists, and in doing so inculcated the American public with fear. The 2002 State of the Union Address used vivid imagery and frightening ideas to put the United States on the hero's pedestal, unite Americans against the other and extract widespread support for the war on terror and its "security" tactics continue to undermine human rights to date.

From the speech it was difficult not to envision mushroom clouds, poisoned water lines and the demolition of American skyscrapers. The other was portrayed as an inhuman, unrelenting and sadistic enemy capable of catastrophe beyond imagination. America, however, was depicted as a savior for rescuing oppressed peoples and shielding its own people from the harm intended by its enemies.

The rhetoric of the Bush administration set the groundwork for support of not only the war on terror, but for the Iraq War that began in March of 2003. The other's possession of weapons of mass destruction loomed in peoples minds triggering widespread panic. We know today weapons of mass destruction were never located in Iraq, but in a time of crisis, Americans were willing to trust their government.

A scapegoat was needed for the pain in-

licted on us by the 9/11 attacks and with the help of the United States government, one was easily found with minimal questioning. This time it isn't the Japanese or the Communists. No, today it is the Arabs. From airport security checkpoints to the everyday restaurant, Arab Americans are looked upon with suspicion wherever they go. They are the new "other," always suspect.

In February of 2002, Fedwa Malt-Douglas wrote a compelling article in The New York Times entitled "Let them Profile Me." She argued that as a Lebanese-American, she was willing to be subject to the extra hassles that come with ethnic profiling. If national security meant a little extra time in airport security lines, she was ready to comply.

From a Burke perspective, she was willing to sacrifice her security as the other for the sake of American security in general. I would like to ask Professor Douglas today whether or not she is also willing to spend the rest of her time in Guantanamo Bay without charge or perhaps she would like to be a victim of extraordinary rendition—taken clandestinely from her family and shipped across the Atlantic to countries where torture is an acceptable form of interrogation.

While there is no excuse for the vicious attacks on thousands of civilians in New York City, Pennsylvania and Washington D.C., we owe it to the victims to choose a policy that will minimize the chances of such a horrific act ever occurring again while at the same time respecting the dignity of a people.

Theorist Vivienne Jabri advocates an ethical engagement with the other, one where there is a constant discourse between self and other in shaping international relations, one that may lead to mutual understanding or the ability to agree to disagree. Most importantly, we must recognize when national security policies begin to distort our sensitivity to human rights.

"There is no such thing as public opinion. There is only published opinion."

~Winston Churchill

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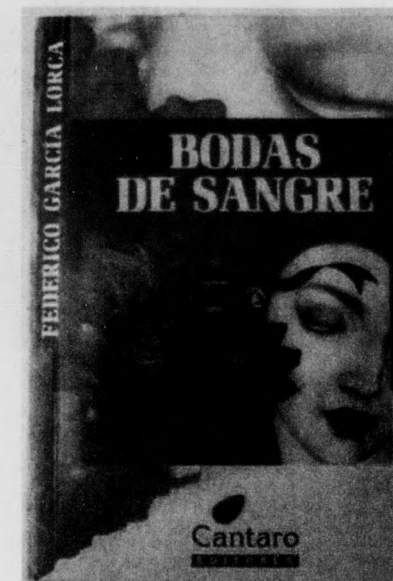
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Senior writer Julia Fuchs selects books for quality fiction to review.

Federico Garcia Lorca's Bodas de Sangre

1932 tragedy has long and complex plot, but still worth the read



What would you do if you found out on your wedding night your new bride had run off with a lover? Would you pretend everything was okay? Or would you seek revenge?

"Bodas de Sangre," (or "Blood Wedding") the 1932 play written by Spain's (arguably) most famous author, Federico Garcia Lorca, tells the story of such a tragedy, highlighting the anguish of a man whose life is turned upside down and extricating the innermost barbaric actions love can cause.

"El Novio" is the male protagonist. A hardworking man of the fields, he falls in love with a country girl, "La Novia," and asks for her hand in marriage.

"La Madre," El Novio's mother, is a little shaky at first about letting go of her son, as her husband and other son were killed a few years prior. Her great desire for grandchildren finally drives her to give her son her blessing.

But when she hears from a neighbor that La Novia had a previous affair with Leonardo Felix, a relative of the men who killed her husband and other son, she immediately

regrets her blessing, and goes to have a chat with La Novia to clear things up.

Leonardo, though he is married and has a child, has never gotten over his love for La Novia. When he hears of La Novia's engagement, he storms off in a sudden rage to see her.

He spends the next few nights watching La Novia's window, as she prepares for her wedding. When La Novia finds out about this, she sneaks out and confronts him. She still has feelings for him as well. But since he missed his chance to marry her when they were still together, she refuses his efforts to win her back.

Disappointed and upset, Leonardo leaves, and La Novia continues preparing for her wedding day.

When the wedding day arrives, there are clear feelings of hesitancy portrayed by La Novia about her desire to marry El Novio, but the wedding ceremony passes successfully. The guests celebrate the union that night at La Novia's house.

The groom is elated to finally be married to La Novia and completely oblivious to the skeptical looks of the guests and circulating rumors. Even when his new bride complains early in the evening of being tired and leaves the party, he shrugs the oddness of it off and continues at the party.

Suddenly news breaks out that La Novia has run off with Leonardo. El Novio does not want to believe what his wife may have done at first. But as people start searching for the two and cannot find them anywhere, the silver lining that has been clouding his vision fades immediately.

El Novio, who has been an even-tempered and thoughtful man, loses all his sensibility in a snap, grabs a friend, and runs off with him to search for the man threatening to ruin his life another time.

Deep in the forest, La Novia and Leonardo profess their love for each other and discuss their future. La Novia wants Leonardo to flee, knowing if El Novio finds him, he'll kill him. But Leonardo refuses to leave her.

El Novio, still in a blind rage, charges through the forest searching for Leonardo and La Novia. The only thoughts in his mind are to kill Leonardo and reclaim his bride. It doesn't matter she went off with him willingly—Leonardo has caused El Novio's family too much pain already, so in El Novio's mind, he must die.

Though Leonardo, El Novio and the audience are forewarned of what is to come, Leonardo waits for El Novio to come. When he does, the two go offstage, and all that can be heard of their ensuing battle is both their screams.

La Novia, who returns to town later smeared in both men's blood, tells the story of the death of both men and begs forgiveness of La madre, who is filled with anger at her and at Leonardo.

Thus ends the story of the blood wedding. A man with pure love for his wife kills her lover and dies himself in the process, while the wife who willingly cheated on her husband and ran off with her lover survives. A night that started out so promising for El Novio ends in a blood bath.

Typical of Lorca's works, someone seemingly always needs to die. "Bodas de Sangre" is the first of a trilogy of dramatic tragedies Lorca wrote and is the one that has gained him the most fame.

A play of innocence versus redemption, and individualism versus society, it clearly portrays Lorca's personal views on life during the start of the Spanish Civil War and beginning of Francisco Franco's dictatorship, a time in Spain when going against society often proved fatal.

Lorca himself was assassinated by the nationalist militia, though whether it was for his homosexuality, political views or other reasons is not known. Either way, Lorca knew how to incorporate tension and consequences of doing something against the norm into his work, and he does so wonderfully in "Bodas de Sangre."

Though slow to begin and a bit bland in plot development in the middle of the play, the ending is well worth the fight to get through the middle. Lorca wraps up the story in a rapid series of actions, throwing the reader into the middle of it all.

The play ends with the reader not knowing whether to pity La Novia, applaud El Novio's bravery, or dismiss them all with disgust at their actions.

Though the play can clearly be linked to the time period in which it was written, the themes of loving to death and going against society are timeless and can be appreciated by any modern audience.

For a fast read that leaves the reader thinking about the characters long after the play has been finished, Lorca's work is well worth the effort.

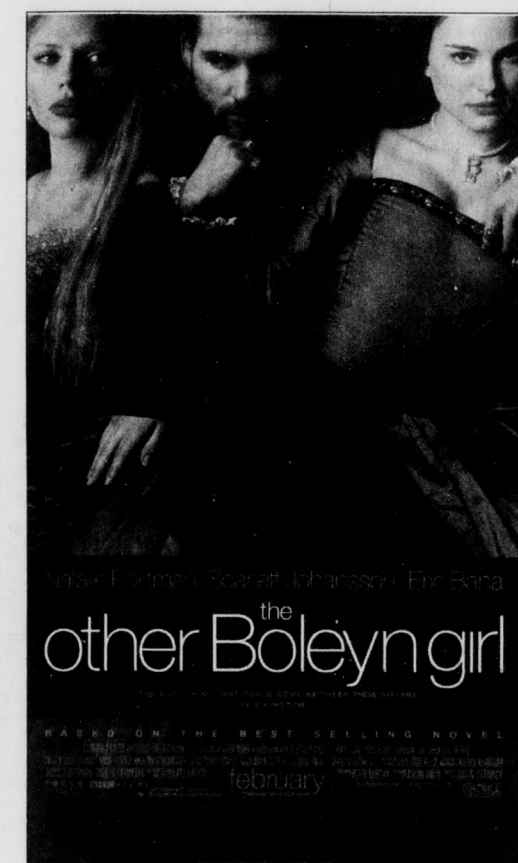


Mary Boleyn (Scarlett Johansson) chats with her sister Anne (Natalie Portman). Both siblings attempt to seduce the adulterous King Henry VIII of England (Eric Bana).

Lust, violence and history: The Other Boleyn Girl

Mediocre film adaptation showcases ambitions, adulteries of the 16th century English family

By Tracy Lum
Staff Writer



The film is a ludicrous version of a book with the same name. The novel was written by Philippa Gregory.

"The Other Boleyn Girl," based on the novel of the same name by Philippa Gregory, is a ludicrous and ridiculously watered-down version of the fantastic novel. All its merits are portrayed in the trailer, and that is all that needs to be seen.

The movie adheres to two principles: lust and violence. The film opens with a shot of the three young Boleyns (George, Anne and Mary) frolicking in a field, enjoying childhood's blissful innocence, unaware of what terrible fates their futures hold.

It then cuts to the scene of Mary's (Scarlett Johansson) wedding to William Carey (Benedict Cumberbatch) about 10 years later. The scene reveals ambitions driving the Boleyn family to its downfall.

Soon after the wedding, King Henry VIII (Eric Bana) comes for a visit to the Boleyn manor, where Anne (Natalie Portman) has been instructed to flirt with and seduce the king. The instructors were her devious uncle, the Duke of Norfolk (David Morrissey), and her naïve father (Mark Rylance).

At the time (for those unfamiliar with King Henry's history) Queen Katherine of Aragon had been unable to produce a male heir. Anne does

who has a happy ending.

Overall the storyline of the novel "The Other Boleyn Girl" has been condensed and oversimplified. In the movie, the story has gaping holes and fails to emphasize the politics that were essential to the book.

In addition, the movie focuses entirely too much on the lust and violence, making it rather dull. The novel features these items, so the problem must be in the translation from book to movie.

Since it is a movie based on historical fiction, the story carries an odor of inevitability, but it is an inevitability making the audience thankful for the arrival of the closing credits.

For a mediocre movie, Scarlett Johansson and Natalie Portman make excellent Boleyn sisters. They pull off their accents relatively well and place themselves in rather awkward and disturbing situations, like bedding an old man. Imagine being passed from one lust-filled man to another. It cannot be an easy task.

Jim Sturgess ("Across the Universe") is a wonderful George Boleyn, embodying all the charm and attractiveness portrayed in the novel. Eric Bana ("Troy," "Munich") is a mediocre King Henry; he is tyrannical, but not entirely convincing. He is perhaps too attractive to become the monster King Henry was.

Although Bana did not have to gain a large amount of weight to portray the middle-aged King Henry, his furry costuming increased his girth to about four times its natural size.

The costumes for the male characters were intriguing with their multitudinous ruffles, but the female characters' outfits were unremarkable, which adequately captures the essence of the film.

Also in the film are Kristin Scott Thomas, Oliver Coleman, Ana Torrent, Eddie Redmayne and Juno Temple ("Atonement").

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— MICHAEL VITALE

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Love, Greek gods and a roller disco

New Broadway musical Xanadu has peculiar plot, great musical score

By Wendy Schibener
Contributing Writer

If it sounds strange to have a plot about a Greek muse descending from the heavens of Mount Olympus to inspire a struggling artist to create the first roller disco, then it would be right on target for describing the overall effect of the new Broadway musical, "Xanadu."

Maybe the college generation is too young to appreciate the sheer brilliance of a roller disco. Maybe we 20-somethings just do not understand the intricacies of the 80s leg warmer.

While exceedingly funny at times, the peculiarities of the plot are hard to overlook, despite the obvious talent of the actors and actresses.

Based on the original film of the same name starring Olivia Newton-John and Gene Kelly, the show pokes



Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons
Xanadu stars Kerry Butler, as a beautiful Greek muse. Also starring in the musical is Cheyenne Jackson as struggling beach artist Sonny.

fun at the original concept of the movie. Kira, a beautiful Greek muse, enters Venice Beach, Calif., in 1980 to inspire beach-dude Sonny to begin a roller disco in his town.

When Kira falls in love with the mortal Sonny, a crime punishable by death on Mount Olympus, her envious sisters take advantage of the circumstances, and chaos abounds.

You would think a producer who heard of such a plot would laugh

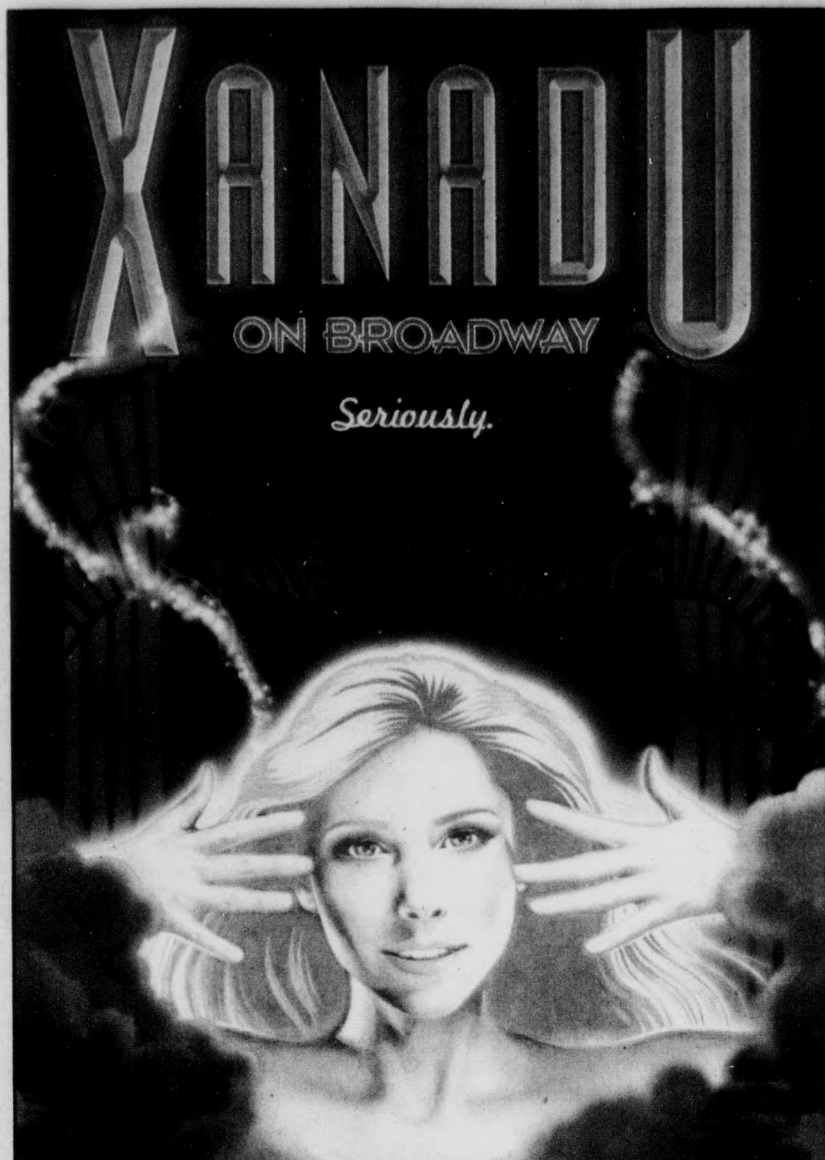
at the idea of staging the film on Broadway—especially a film that did so horribly in the box office. Doesn't Broadway have anything better to do than put Hollywood on stage? Apparently not.

As "Xanadu's" Zeus, played by Tony Roberts, explains in the musical, "Creativity shall remain stymied for decades. The theater? They'll just take some stinkeroo movie or some songwriter's catalog, throw it onstage and call it a show."

Thankfully, the stage version is not as laughable as the failure of a movie which sent Newton-John all the way back to Australia.

Perhaps this success is due to the hit score, composed by pop-rock

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Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons
Xanadu is set in Venice Beach, Calif., in 1980. The musical is directed by Christopher Ashley with music and lyrics by John Farrar and Jeff Lynne.

legends Jeff Lynne and John Farrar and an instant billboard hit after the movie release. The Broadway adaptation keeps these tunes intact, including songs such as "Magic," "All Over The World," "Suddenly," "I'm Alive," "Evil Woman," "Have You Never Been Mellow" and "Xanadu."

With a minimal set and practically no special effects (except huge disco balls and mirrors), "Xanadu" does not offer theater-goers much of a stunning visual performance. The costumes, while keeping in theme with the 1980s and Grecian deity clichés, can only be described as "tacky" (tapered pants and hair perms never did last long in the fashion world).

Kira's horrible Australian accent, an amusing tease of Newton-John's own accent, created some difficulty in understanding the dialogue between the characters. Overall, the production was not much to look at, but musically the show was rather impressive.

Leads Kerry Butler and Cheyenne

Jackson, playing Kira and Sonny respectively, are obvious talents and a pleasure to hear. The cast, constrained by double casting and a limited ensemble (the nine sister muses are downsized to seven) serve as witty jokesters rather than a detriment audiences would be likely to mind.

If you are willing to spend \$100 on a few good laughs and some great talent, go right ahead to the Helen Hayes Theatre—and then come back and explain it to me. Otherwise, I would skip this one until its off-Broadway revival. Hey, even 1980s leggings and ballet flats came back eventually, right?

The audience seating at the Helen Hayes Theatre, which includes several on-stage booths, creates an interesting interaction between the cast and viewers—often creating hilarious improvisational moments. In one particular instance, a Greek muse jokingly complimented an older audience member for wearing a derby indoors.

Overall, the show was okay. Unless you are a cult-member of the famous "Xanadu" fan club of the 80s (which Wikipedia insists exists), a lot of the plot's humor is hard to understand.



Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons
Xanadu plays at Broadway's Helen Hayes Theatre. The theatre has several on-stage seating booths, inspiring connection between audience and actors.

Vampire Weekend: Impressive indie debut

Band's self-titled first album blends rock, reggae and more for a diverse new sound

By Richard Thornburgh
Staff Writer

When I first saw the name of the band, Vampire Weekend on the front cover of a small label music magazine, the only thought that came to my mind was, there's another indie band trying to make their way into the hearts of indie fans.

I decided I should check them out at least, instead of writing them off right away, and I am absolutely thrilled that I did.

Their self-debut album, titled "Vampire Weekend," is quite possibly the best record I've heard all year. Their genre of music stylistically is one which cannot be described with just one word because it is so diverse, but it isn't overwhelming by any standards.

These preppy kids, right out of New York's Columbia University, know their music and know it well.

Their music ranges from a pop rock sound, with reggae, hard rock and keyboard/synthesizer mixed in, sprinkled with a little bit of classical strings. I know this combination of music sounds like it could be annoying and confusing at the same time, but Vampire Weekend blends all of these together for a smooth sound on any set of ears. Think of them as a lighter, more diverse blend of "Arctic Monkeys."

The album opens with "Mansard Roof," which begins with soft reggae-type lead vocals, and several different instrumental backing them up. Throughout the song, there are points where you can only find yourself asking where they're going with the CD, but be patient because it all comes to-



Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons
Vampire Weekend performs at the Molotow in Hamburg on November 2, 2007. The band consists of Ezra Koenig (lead vocals, guitar), Rostam Batmanglij (keyboard/guitar/vocals), Chris Tomlin (drums) and Chris Baio (bass).

gether as the song progresses.

Following this song are "Oxford Comma" and "A-Punk." "Oxford Comma" is a quiet and quirky song, perfect song to listen to on a spring day.

"A-Punk," one of my favorite songs on the album, brings fast-paced lyrics and instrumentals together with the background of flute and wind instruments.

"Cape Cod Kwassa Kwassa" incorporates some sounds of African mu-

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sic and percussion with a general, less complicated guitar, giving a relaxed sound.

With the assistance of a harpsichord to start the next song, "M79," Vampire

Weekend creates a type of song that I've never heard before. There are several parts in the song that combine a string quartet with guitar, percussion and harpsichord to introduce a brand new sound.

"Campus" is a song relating to their days at Columbia University, and trying to get together with several girls.

Lyrics such as "Then I see you, you're walking cross the campus / Cruel Professors studying romances / How am I supposed to pretend that I never want



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to see you again?" tell of their struggles with female counterparts. This is one of the catchiest songs on the record.

The record ends with four great songs, "One (Blake's Got a New Face)," "I Stand Corrected," "Walcott" and "The Kids Don't Stand a Chance."

"Blake's Got a New Face" became my favorite song on the album almost immediately, with an opening synthesizer reminding me of the great music of The Talking Heads.

"I Stand Corrected" is one of their two ballad songs on the album, starting as a soft song, but quickly catching up with the rest of the album and ending in style with several instruments harmoniously playing together.

The last song on the record, "The Kids Don't Stand a Chance," is a great song to end the record with, because it's not overwhelming, almost as if letting out one last breath as they finish. It incorporates the same styles of the previous songs, only with less energy and more harpsichords.

After listening to this album over and over for the last week, I can firmly say I recommend this CD to anyone who has even the slightest interest in any music.

The new sound of Vampire Weekend, along with the approaching nice weather for an incoming spring can only mean relaxing days with great music.

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Bison earn bid to NCAA Tournament

Women's basketball team knocks off three higher seeds to win Patriot League title and punch ticket to NCAA tourney

By Matthew Saylor
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Clutch shooting, hard-nosed defense and an immeasurable amount of heart led the women's basketball team to its second ever Patriot League Tournament championship and a trip to the NCAA Tournament. Wins over No. 4 seed Army (50-47 in overtime), No. 1 American (60-52) and No. 2 Holy Cross (57-45), gave the No. 5 Bison (16-15) the tournament championship that eluded the team after last year's championship regular season.

Winning their only Patriot League title in 2002, the goal of the Orange and Blue this season was to back-up their pre-season selection as the predicted champion. The team battled through injuries and finding the right rotation during an 8-6 Patriot League regular season, but played its best basketball going into the tournament, winning three of its final four games.

"We weren't playing as well going into the [Patriot League] Tournament last year," Bison Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "Our focus as a team was not great. The week of practice I was really concerned."

She continued, "This year was a lot different. Certain kids were so much more focused than a year ago. Everything was really positive with good energy."

On Wednesday, March 12, the Orange and Blue completed the tournament run with the

win in Worcester, Mass. against 11-time Patriot League Tournament champion Holy Cross. The Bison never trailed by more than three points, and led the game for the final 27 minutes and 37 seconds, when Amanda Brown '09 hit a three-pointer to give her team a 17-15 lead. This jumpstarted a 17-2 run by the Orange and Blue to close out the first half.

Cosima Higham '11 scored five points during this stretch, including two lay-ups by beating the Holy Cross front players down the floor. Kesha Champion '08, Lauren Schober '09 and Joyce Novacek '11 also scored for the Orange and Blue, and Brown finished what she started by nailing a jumper with just one second remaining on the clock.

Fedorjaka told her team at halftime that it would have to be prepared for a run by the Crusaders on their home court in the second half. That run would come, a 10-0 jaunt, but the Bison built their lead to 17, 43-26 on a Schober three-pointer.

With the lead down to seven, the Orange and Blue showed their championship mentality by reeling off seven straight points of their own, starting with an Andrea Wright '08 jumper. Holy Cross would get as close as nine points again, 50-41, but Brown and Champion combined to make seven out of nine free throws in the game's final 1:09 to secure the championship.

During the game, Champion became the 17th Bison player to

record 1,000 career points, but it was her leadership and defense throughout the tournament that helped her earn the tournament's most valuable player trophy. Led by Champion, the Bison held the Crusaders to only 28.8 percent field goal shooting and forced 15 turnovers.

The senior tri-captain scored 13 points and grabbed eight rebounds in this game. Brown scored a game-high 14 points to go along with five assists and four rebounds, and Schober was the third of four Bison in double-figures with 10 points and a game-high six assists. Both Brown and Schober joined Champion on the All-Tournament Team.

Higham scored a career-high 10 points and grabbed six rebounds in 21 minutes off the bench, but Fedorjaka cited her defense as the key.

"She allows us to do so many different things," the coach said of her first-year post player who also had career-highs with three blocks and three steals. "Her athleticism allows us to trap differently and change the way we do things on the court."

Fellow first-year Novacek finished her own solid tournament with four points and eight rebounds. It was her performance in the previous game, on Sunday, March 9 against American, that really stood out though.

Against the regular-season champion Eagles, Novacek earned her second career dou-



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Captain Kesha Champion '08 finished out her career as a Bison against UNC last Sunday in the first-round of the NCAA tournament in Norfolk, Va.

No. 17 men's lacrosse team advances to 6-2

Bison beat Towson, Lafayette, Fairfield and Mount St. Mary's; fall to Navy

By Wes Trowbridge
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team enjoyed a very successful spring break, winning four out of the five contests and maintaining their No. 17 ranking in the Nike/Inside Lacrosse media poll as the team began league play. The Orange and Blue's only blemish was a 4-3 overtime loss to No. 9 Navy.

Tuesday night the Bison (6-2) defeated former East Coast Conference rival Towson (1-5) by a score of 12-10. Austin

1985... we have lost the last 10 games against them by at least six goals, so this was a very big win for the program," Head Coach Frank Fedorjaka said.

At the midway point the Bison led 8-5, thanks to a strong 7-2 to finish to the

"The Navy game was incredibly intense. With both defenses playing at such a high level it really magnified every possession's importance..."

Tim Brandau '10

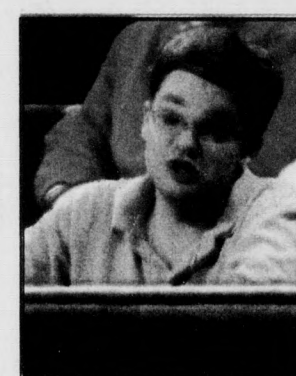
For the first time this season the team was dominant at the face-off X, an area the team has struggled with all season up until this point.

"We won [19 out of 26 face-offs] and it was crucial to our success. Both Rick Carolan [08] and Christian Tucker [11] did very well at the X, and Scott Monfort [10] and Michael Cooke [09] played very well on the wings," Fedorjaka said. Attackmen Joe Mele '09 and Tim Brandau '10 also added three goals each and goalkeeper Nick Sciubba '10 recorded 12 saves.

The previous Wednesday the Bison lost 4-3 to league rival Navy (8-1) in overtime. Calculated defensive efforts by both teams made for a physical contest.

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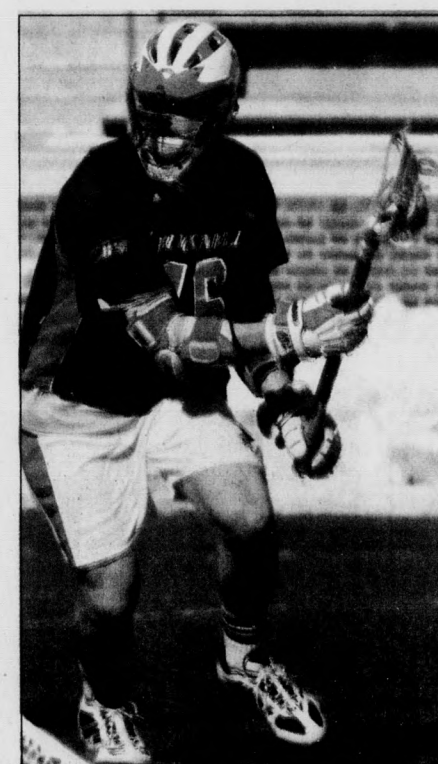
By Matthew Saylor
Associate Editor of Content

Last year I had no doubt that the women's basketball team was destined for great things. Even when Lindsey Hollobaugh '07 was injured, I still felt the team had enough to reach the NCAA Tournament, thought it would be harder without the heart of the team.

The night before last year's Patriot League Tournament, the team won three of the top four individual awards at the league's end of the year banquet. The next afternoon the team was stunned with a loss to No. 8 seed Colgate, and a trip to the WNIT ensued.

This year I had doubts. The team had to deal with the injury to guard Amanda Brown '09 for virtually all of league play, and was unable to put together a win streak of more than two games at any point throughout the year. Flashes of brilliance were there, but there was a lack of consistency. The team's Senior Night

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Austin Winter '10 tallied nine points against Towson to lift the Bison past the Tigers 12-10.

Tennis squads combine to win five straight

By Jordan Brodsky
Staff Writer

The Bucknell Men's and Women's tennis teams were a perfect 5-0 on their Spring Break trip to Hilton Head, South Carolina. Not only were they 5-0 in matches, but they also only dropped one individual match the whole week as they cruised to a 34-1 record.

The Bison men opened up their Spring Break with a 6-1 win over a fellow Pennsylvania team in Robert Morris. The Orange and Blue, including Ira Reibesen '08 and Ryan Sandburg '09, swept doubles. Reibesen and Sandburg hold the all time Bucknell University record for doubles wins. The Bison took five of the six singles matches. Anton Kovic '11 dropped the only match of the week in a three set match. Sandburg, with the two wins on the day, surpassed 100 total wins for his career. Mark Malloy '11 continued to play well and now leads the Bison for doubles win this year with six as he paired up with Ben Young '08 to win their number three doubles match 8-4.

The Bison men took on Southern Indiana a couple days later and swept the Screaming Eagles 7-0. Reibesen made his first singles appearance of the week as he defeated Christoph Burger, 6-3, 6-3 to increase his lead as Bucknell's all time wins leader. Malloy and Young won another doubles match, this time blanking Bryan Sulcer and Tim Alcorn.

The Orange and Blue's final match came against the Rams of Winston Salem State. The Rams met the same

fate as the Screaming Eagles as they too were defeated 7-0. Two Bison made their season debuts as Daniel Bednarek '09 and Jamie Watson '09 won their number five and number six singles matches respectively. The two also paired up in doubles and picked up their first win in doubles play with an 8-2 victory over Linquist and Jenkins, 8-2.

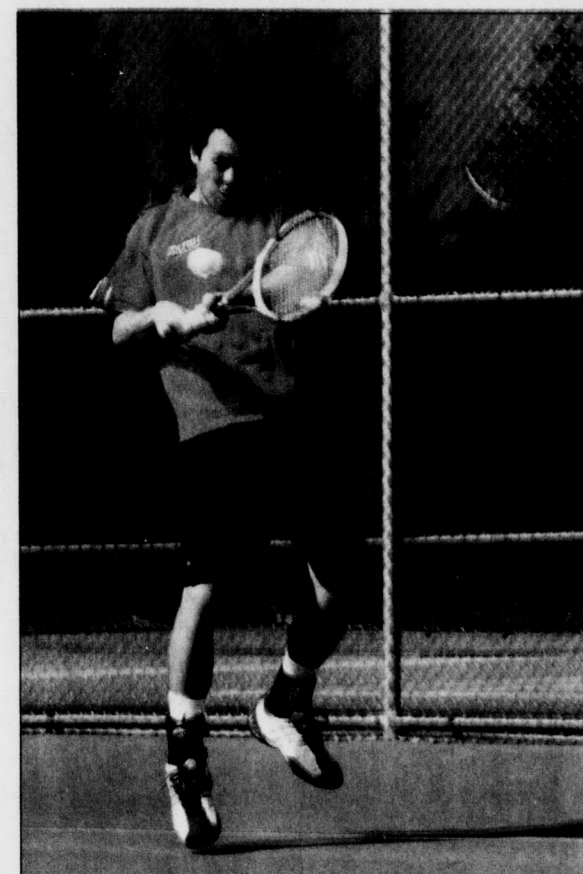
Malloy stressed the importance of the trip in helping the Bison reach their ultimate goal of becoming Patriot League Champions.

"It was great playing outdoors and in some heat," said Malloy, "I feel that this was a forward step in preparing for our upcoming Patriot League matches. Although we went 3-0 on the week, we still were focused on each match, and played with a lot of energy. The tennis, however, was just a part of the trip. I feel that our team really bonded on this trip, whether it was on the bus, on our morning runs, or on the beach. The teams we faced gave us practice and confidence for when we head into the Patriot League season."

The Bison men's and women's teams were scheduled to play both Fairleigh Dickinson and Villanova last Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively, but had both matches cancelled due to the weather. The Fairleigh Dickinson match was re-scheduled for last Friday but cold temperatures forced the match to be cancelled yet again.

"With Navy coming up during House Party weekend, we have not had many matches against teams with

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Ben Young '08 played an integral part in the Bison's win over Mount St. Mary's, winning both his doubles and singles matches.

Men's and women's golf teams kick off season

Men finish fifth and ninth place at respective tournaments

By Jon Campbell-Copp
Senior Writer

The men's golf team was back in full swing the past two weeks, ending their winter hiatus with a 5th place finish at the George Washington Invitational last weekend, and a 9th place showing at the First Market Bank Intercollegiate the previous week at William and Mary.

"The finishes so far this spring have proven that we can play with most teams in the northeast," Head Coach Jim Cotner said. "Our team confidence is

really high right now and the players have a very clear picture of what areas of their game they need to improve to shoot more consistent low scores."

Rahul Desai '08 led the Bison through the first round at the 20-team George Washington Invitational, posting an even-par 72 to help lock the team in a tie for second after round one with a team score of 304. The following day saw the Orange and Blue slip to 4th despite firing a sharp 298 tally led by senior Keita Aoki's score of 72 in round two.

The final round was shortened to just nine holes due to darkness, a change that slowed the Bison charge. Ben Mattingly '11 led the Orange and Blue in the shortened round with a 36, but it wouldn't be enough to vouch for several higher team scores, leaving the Bison alone in 5th. Desai

finished 8th with scores of 72-75-39, while Aoki came in 13th with a 76-72-41 finish. Andrew Cohen '10 carded a 76-76-41, and Brian Bartow '10 rounded out the squad with an 82-87-40 tally. The University of Maryland pulled off the win against the home team George Washington, with the University of Pennsylvania and Navy also narrowly edging the Bison.

"It helps a lot to start the season with some strong finishes because it shows that our work during the winter has paid off," Stuart Lindgren '08 said. "It also gives us confidence that we can compete with schools like Army and Navy who will be our biggest competition in the Patriot League Championship."

In the First Market Bank Intercollegiate at the River Course at Kingsmill, the Bison opened up their spring season with a first-round 300 team score. The 19-team field was ripe with competition for the Orange and Blue, to which they responded with scores of 73 from Lindgren, 74 from Aoki and 76 from Cohen.

"Personally, I had my worst season last fall," Aoki said. "But I worked hard this winter to figure out my swing and build up my confidence level to play well like I did last year. So far, I've been playing well, but if I can figure out my putting, then I feel I can really help the team during Patriot Leagues."

In the final round the following day, the Bison cut their total by six shots as both Aoki and Lindgren fired one-over par 73's to finish 15th and 17th respectively, while Cohen and Mattingly both posted 75's, helping the Bison to a 9th place finish. Francis Marion University clinched the tournament, beating The University of Detroit Mercy by seven shots.

"Playing well at both William and Mary and George Washington gives us a lot of momentum heading into the rest of the spring season," Lindgren said. "We haven't played well at those tournaments in previous years so we know we are headed in the right direction."

The Bison will be back on the links in several weeks against their Patriot League rivals at the Lafayette Invitational the weekend of April 12-13.

Women swing into 13th at First Market Bank Invitational

By Eric Weiss
Writer

The women's golf team kicked off their 2008 spring season with the Pinehurst Challenge and the First Market Bank Intercollegiate.

In their first tournament, the Pinehurst Challenge, the women ended the three day tournament in 21st place in an extremely strong field.

After the first day of competition they held 18th place and dropped to 20th place the second day. The women were extremely handicapped in the tournament because they were unable to practice outside before the tournament due to the Lewisburg weather.

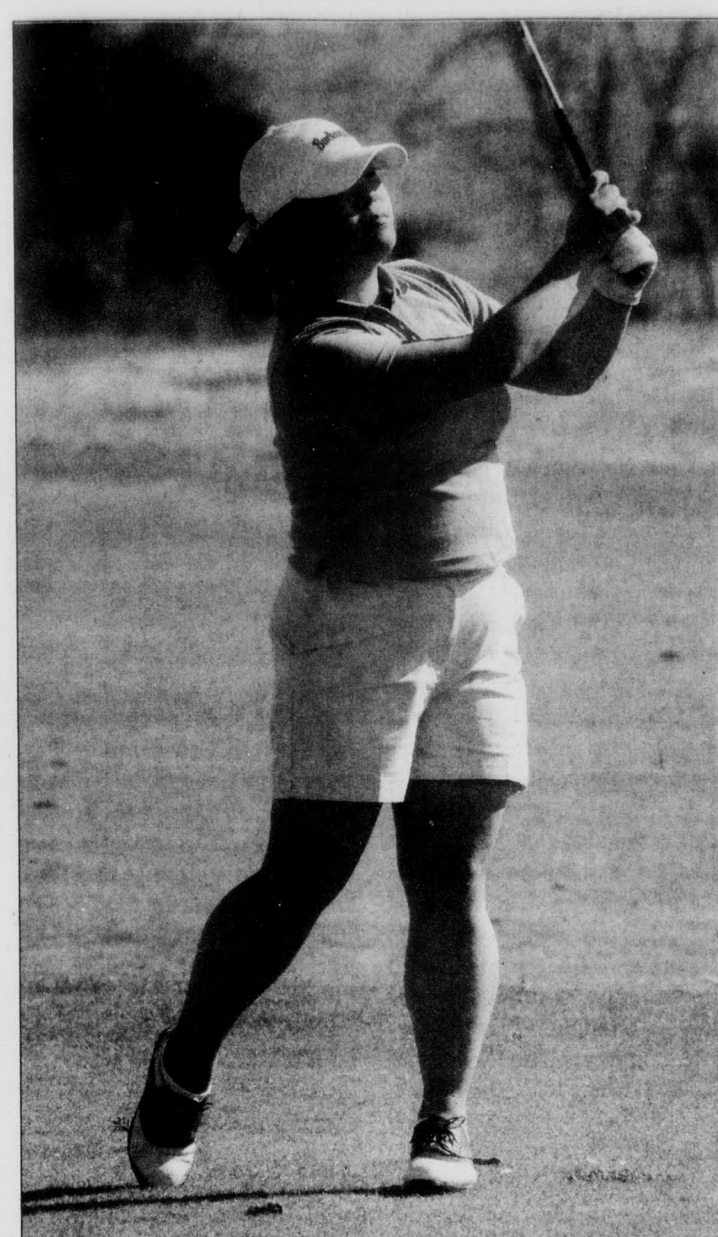
"I thought we played very well considering that we hadn't been outside to practice. We hit the ball extremely well but the lack of putting and chipping practice caught up with us in the end," Head Coach Kevin Jamieson said.

Leading the way for the Bison was Emily Chiodo '08, shooting a team-low 80 on the final round. The women closed by shooting a final round 326, their best of the tournament.

At the First Market Bank Intercollegiate, the women came in 13th place out of 20 teams on the Williamsburg, Va., course. Katie Jurenovich '11 led the way by shooting a 78 and an 82, the lowest combined score for the University.

"Stay tuned, I think this Bison team has something special to offer and they're merely waiting for the right time to unveil it," Jamieson said. Kevin Jamieson Women's tennis head coach

sity. The women were having another great outing on the first day of competition, but the 17th hole gave the women



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Emily Chiodo '08 tied for 36th place in last weekend's First Market Bank Intercollegiate with 36 hole total of 164.

quite a bit of trouble as the women were a combined 10 over par.

"We played 17 holes of great golf but one hole cost us the tournament," Jamieson said.

During the second day of golf the women were once again having a great day of competition but struggled down the stretch and were unable to "seal the deal" in the competition, Coach Jamieson said.

Even though the team had some troubles at the tournament, it allowed the golfers to gain confidence against some

of the best teams in the country. This will be vital as the women look towards meeting their goal of winning the Big South Championship.

The team's golf course is now open which will drastically enhance the amount the team can practice. The weekend of April 5 and April 7 the team is off to Oklahoma for the Susie Maxwell Invitational.

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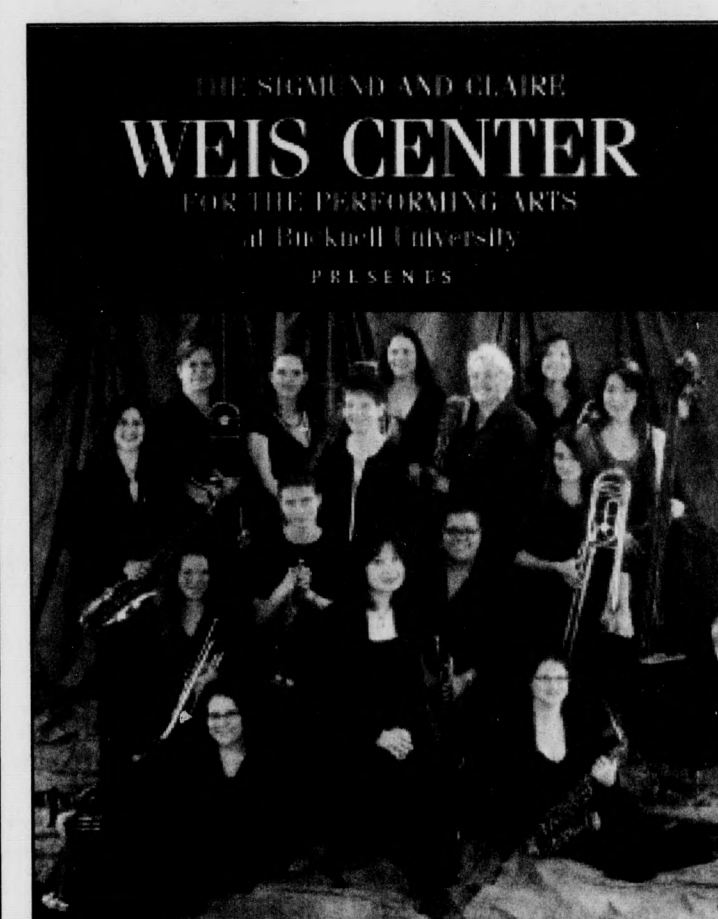
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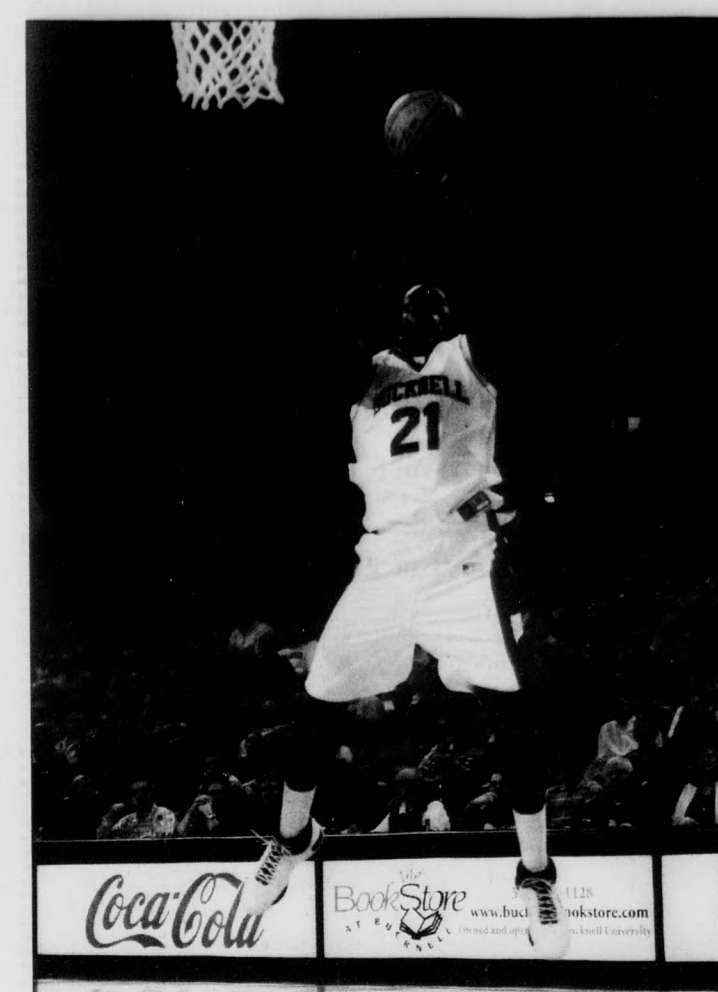
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Bison comeback falls short at Colgate

Men's basketball fails to advance to PL title game for first time since '03-'04



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
G.W. Boon '11 had a breakout rookie year, playing in all 31 games and averaging 16.6 minutes a game.

By Matthew Saylor
Associate Editor of
Content

Colgate 54
Bucknell 40

The men's basketball season came to a disappointing close on Sunday, March 9, as the team lost 54-40 against Colgate in the semifinal round of the Patriot League Tournament. The Raiders advanced to the championship game, where they lost to regular-season champion American, 52-46.

The Bison's final record was 12-19, but the senior class of John Griffin, Darren Mastropalo and Rob Thomas were a part of 85 victories in the past four years, the second highest total in University history.

The Orange and Blue struggled to find their offense in the first half, digging themselves a hole that they could not overcome. The team committed 13 turnovers and made only three of 13 field goal attempts in the

first half, resulting in a 27-10 deficit.

Many times this season thought the Bison have been down, but regardless of the score they are never out. The team went on a 20-7 run early in the second half and Colgate's lead was down to four, 36-32. The Raiders responded with a three-pointer by Kyle Roemer, who led all scorers on the afternoon with 25 points.

The Orange and Blue cut the lead back to four, thanks to a bucket by Mastropalo and a Griffin free throw, but would not any closer for the rest of the game. The Raiders finished the game on a 15-5 run, making all six of their free throws in the game's final minute.

Justin Castleberry '09 led the Bison in scoring with 12 points in 30 minutes off the bench. He also chipped in five rebounds and a pair of steals. Mastropalo scored 11 points and hauled in six boards, but Stephen Tyree '10 was the only other member of the Bison to score at least six points. Tyree also had six rebounds, but committed six of the squad's 22 turnovers. The Orange and Blue forced only eight Colgate turnovers and had just three assists a season-low.

The game's most-telling statistic is that Colgate scored 16 points off of the Bison's turnovers, while the Orange and Blue only scored three points following miscues by the Raiders.

Griffin missed all five of his field goal attempts and finished with three points, in his University-record 127th—and final—game played. Thomas added four points in 19 minutes in his career finale.

Men's Basketball Class of 2008 Career Statistics

John Griffin

Games played - 127 (University rank- 1st all time)
Points scored - 1,084 (25th)
Steals - 136 (9th)
3-pointers made - 220 (2)
Free throw percentage - .799 (9)
Career-high points in a game - 31
Double-digit scoring games - 46
Assists - 255

Rob Thomas

Games played - 79
Points scored - 166
Field goal percentage - .428
3-point field goal percentage - .405

Darren Mastropalo

Games played - 114 (University rank -12th)
Games started - 77
Points scored - 548
Rebounds - 390
Assists - 113
Field goal percentage - .545

Career Record
85-42

Three wrestlers compete at NCAA Championships

By Kyle Barndollar
Sports Editor

David Marble '10, Andy Rendos '10 and Shane Riccio all represented the University wrestling team last weekend at the NCAA tournament in St. Louis, Mo.

Marble and Rendos each earned automatic bids to nationals with their top four performances at the EIWA tournament two weeks prior, while Riccio earned an at-large bid for

"Next year St. Louis will be our time to shine," said Riccio, "We will do whatever it takes to get back out there and show the wrestling world what were made of." Shane Riccio '10

finishing fifth.

Marble, a 133-pounder who spent the majority of the season ranked in the top 20 nationally, finished the season 26-7 overall to earn a first round matchup against number 2 seed James Kennedy of Illinois. Marble lost the match by major decision 12-2 to the eventual fourth place finisher Kennedy and moved to the consolation bracket.

Marble then faced T.J. Dilashaw of Cal State-Fullerton in

a must win match, which he took 11-7 to stay alive in the tournament and advance to the second day of the event. The run would end their, though, as Corey Fish of Boise State took an 8-4 decision from Marble, eliminating him from further competition.

Marble finished 1-2 overall in his second appearance at nationals in as many years.

In the 165 pound bracket, Andy Rendos was eliminated from championship contention after his first round matchup with 6th seeded Jonathan Reader of Iowa State.

Reader jumped out to a 7-0 lead on his way to an 8-2 victory.

Rendos, like Marble, won his next match to advance to day two of the competition and keep his chances to place as high as third alive. Rendos knocked off returning All-American Matt Coughlin of Indiana, 3-1, on a last second take down move.

On day two, Rendos was also bounced from the competition when he ran into 12th seeded Jarrod King of Edinboro in the wrestleback bracket.

Rendos finishes the year with a 28-11 record and will seek his third straight NCAA appearance next season.

The final Bison representative at the NCAA tournament, Shane Riccio, went 0-2 in the 174 pound weight division.

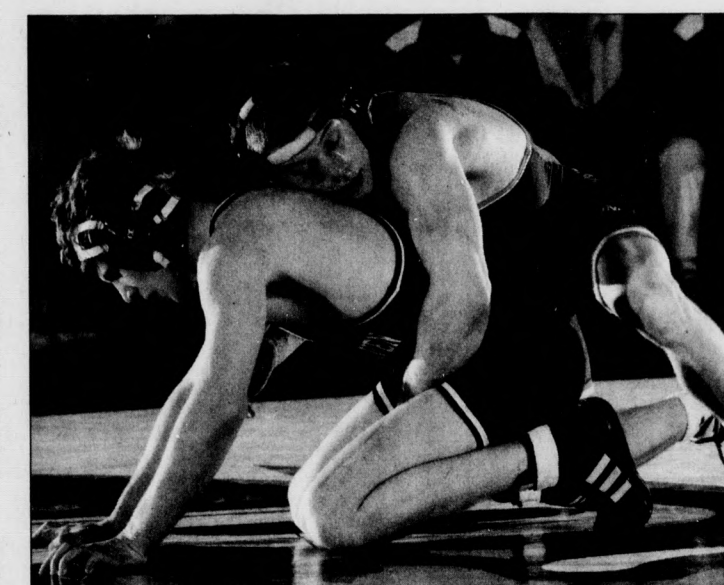
"I feel that I didn't perform

as well as I could have," Riccio said, "I expected to go out there and upset some kids but I fell short."

Riccio was eliminated from championship contention after his first bout, a 7-1 loss to Chance Litton of West Virginia. Riccio was down just 2-1 heading into the final period before Litton secured the lead with a near fall and a reversal.

Riccio was pinned in 1:18 by Alex Dolly of Northern Iowa.

Riccio finishes a successful 25-11, marked by an impressive 14 match win streak that ended just before the EIWA tournament.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
David Marble '10 earned his second consecutive trip to the NCAA's by finishing second at the EIWA tournament.

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Spring Patriot League Standings

Men's Lacrosse 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
#9 Navy	5-0	1.000	8-1	.889
#13 Army	2-0	1.000	6-2	.750
#17 Bucknell	1-1	.500	6-2	.750
Colgate	1-1	.500	4-4	.500
Lehigh	1-2	.333	5-6	.455
Lafayette	0-2	.000	2-5	.286
Holy Cross	0-4	.000	3-5	.375

Women's Lacrosse 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
American	3-0	1.000	5-1	.500
Colgate	2-0	1.000	4-6	.400
Navy	1-1	.500	7-1	.875
Lehigh	1-1	.500	5-5	.500
Holy Cross	1-2	.333	2-6	.250
Bucknell	1-2	.333	3-3	.000

Men's Tennis 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Navy	1-0	1.000	12-7	.632
Bucknell	0-0	.000	7-3	.700
Army	0-0	.000	7-4	.636
Holy Cross	0-0	.000	1-1	.500
Colgate	0-0	.000	3-6	.333
Lehigh	0-0	.000	3-6	.333
Lafayette	0-1	.000	1-2	.333

Women's Tennis 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Army	1-0	1.000	16-4	.800
Colgate	0-0	.000	7-3	.700
Holy Cross	0-0	.000	2-1	.667
Lafayette	0-0	.000	1-1	.500
Bucknell	0-0	.000	4-5	.444
Lehigh	0-1	.000	5-7	.417

Baseball 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Lafayette	0-0	.000	10-6	.625
Navy	0-0	.000	13-8	.619
Lehigh	0-0	.000	12-11	.522
Bucknell	0-0	.000	9-9-2	.500
Army	0-0	.000	5-13	.278
Holy Cross	0-0	.000	4-12	.250

Softball 2008 Patriot League Standings

Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Lehigh	0-0	.000	19-4	.826
Lafayette	0-0	.000	5-10	.333
Colgate	0-0	.000	3-7	.300
Bucknell	0-0	.000	5-17	.227
Army	0-0	.000	4-18	.182
Holy Cross	0-0	.000	2-11	.154

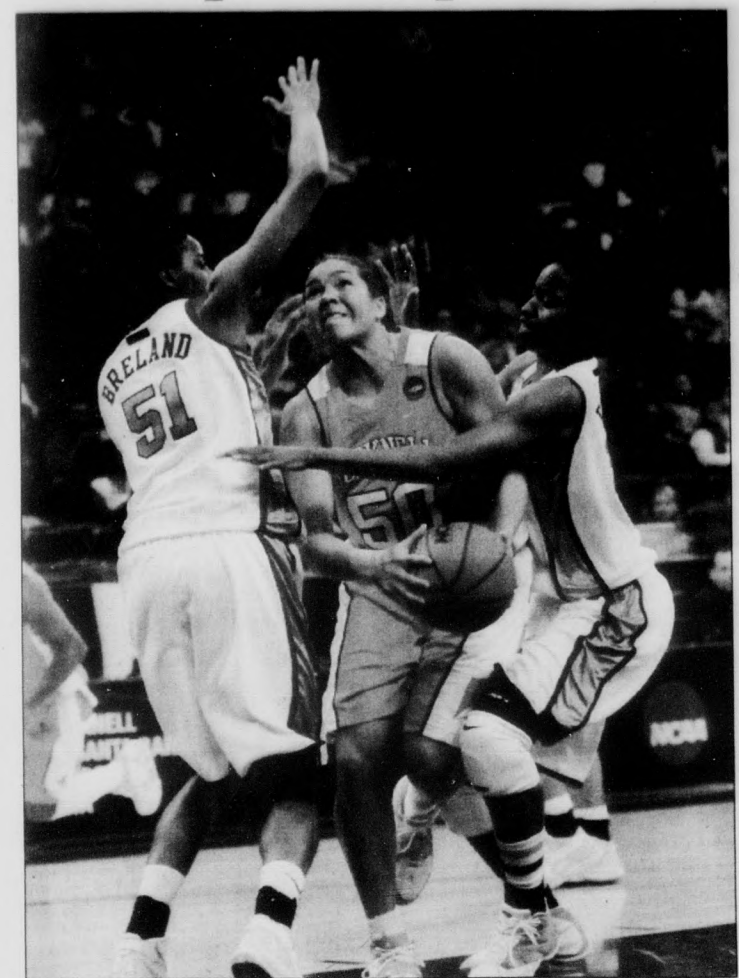
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Championship basketball season ends with 85-50 loss to top seed UNC



Cosima Higham '11 finished out her rookie career with the field goal percentage on the team of .480.

By Matthew Saylor
Associate Editor of Content

The women's basketball team proved to be a strong representative of the Patriot League in the NCAA Tournament, but the No. 16 seed Bison fell to No. 1 seed North Carolina 85-50 on Sunday. The Tar Heels (32-2) advanced to the Sweet Sixteen (they will play No. 4 Louisville on Saturday), while the Orange and Blue's championship season concluded with a 16-16 record.

"I thought our kids did what we expected of them," Bison Head Coach Kathy Fedorjaka said. "We made a great showing—even down 16-0. We looked really sharp, looked athletic, had no trouble with their [Tar Heels] pressure. We had about four or five shots that just rimmed out."

The Orange and Blue missed their first 12 shots to start the game, falling behind 16-0 before Amanda Brown '09 banked in a short jumper from the wing with 14 minutes and 37 seconds remaining in the first half. The Tar Heel lead, extended to 21-2, but

then the shots started following for the Bison. Kesha Champion '08, Joyce Novacek '11 and Hope Foster '08 all scored, and Lauren Schober '09 connected on back-

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to-back threes to cut North Carolina's lead to 31-14.

Starting with Schober's second three-pointer, the Orange and Blue went on a 12-4 run. Kristina Collymore '08 nailed a jumper, followed by a two-pointer from Schober and a traditional three-point play from Champion.

Schober ended the spurt with two free throws, and the Bison

trailed 35-23.

North Carolina regained its composure and closed out the half with a 13-2 run of its own for a 23-point halftime lead. The Tar Heels opened the second half strong and doubled the Bison's score, 58-29, when Schober responded with her third trifecta of the game.

One of the favorites to win this year's national title, North Carolina's lead ballooned to 42 points on two different occasions, but the Orange and Blue closed out the game on an 11-4 run. Collymore scored four points and handed out assists on buckets by LeSeur '10 and Taylor Phillips '11, and Champion nailed a three-pointer from the top of the key, the final shot of her 120-game career.

Schober led the Orange and Blue with 13 points, five rebounds and three assists. Champion had eight points, three rebounds and three assists, and Collymore also had eight points and three assists in 12 minutes off the bench. Foster had a team-high eight rebounds, finishing her career with a University-record 904 rebounds. First-year players No-

vacek and Cosima Higham combined for eight points, eight rebounds (six offensive) and three blocks against North Carolina's vaunted interior.

The Achilles' heel for the Orange and Blue was their shooting, as the team made 20 of their 75 shot attempts (26.7 percent). Foster, Brown and Champion, the team's top three scorers on the season, combined to make only seven of their 37 combined field goal attempts, while Schober missed 12 of her 16 shots.

There were still several positives to the game for the Bison.

"Our 21 offensive rebounds really impressed me," Fedorjaka said. "We also had 19 turnovers, compared to North Carolina's 20. We had 10 more shot attempts, and had overall better production in the second half."

Champion summed up the feelings of the team.

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Women's water polo wins four straight to sweep Claremont Convergence Invitational

Orange and Blue post 5-2 record in seven games during California road trip

By Ellis Hudes
Senior Writer

The women's water polo team went 5-2 over a week-long California road trip, including a four game sweep at the Claremont Convergence Invitational. Their only losses came against two ranked squads, Loyola Marymount and Cal State Northridge. At 18-4 the team is five wins away from the program record.

"We played seven games in eight days in California. It was the most intense part of our training at this point in the season," Head Coach John Abdou said. "We spent a lot of time in the pool and playing against some new teams that diversifies our schedule."

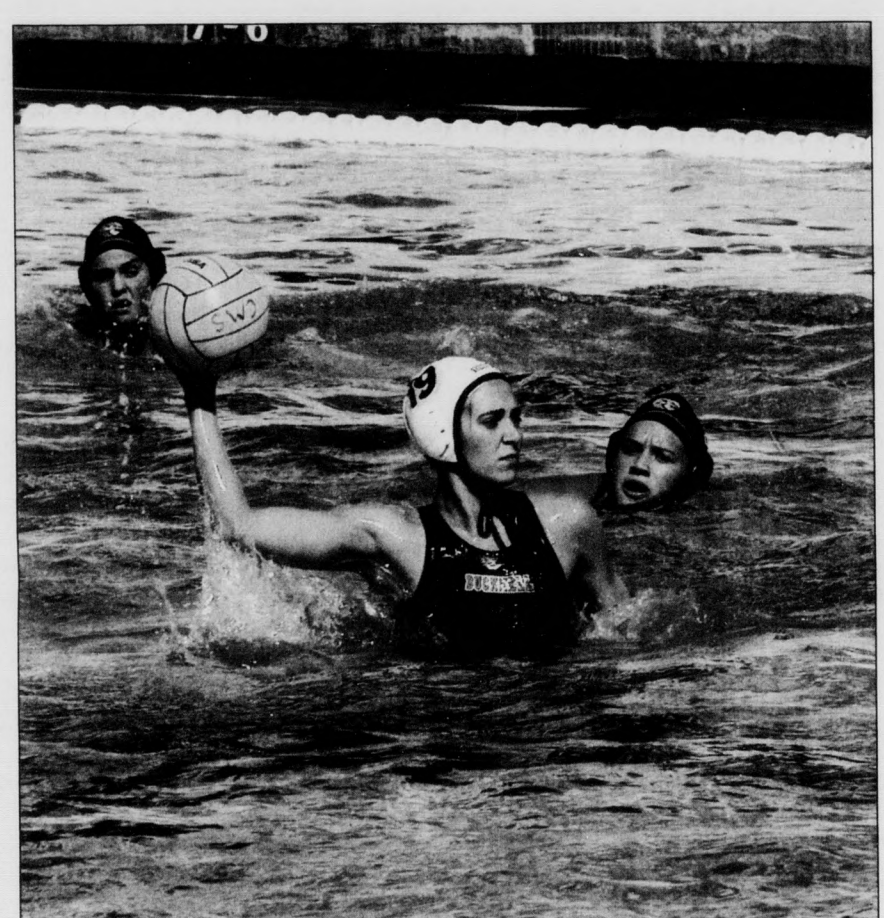
The Orange and Blue concluded play at the Claremont Convergence Tournament by defeating the host team 10-7. Down by one at halftime, the team regrouped and outscored the Redlands 6-2 in the second half. Aubrey Rowe '09 and Kandise Canonica '11 each registered three goals to pace the offense. Rowe also chipped in with five steals on the defensive side. Goalie Rachel McGillis '09 re-

corded seven saves to preserve the team's three goal cushion.

The Bison took down Pomona-Pitzer 8-6 earlier that day. The players put the match away in the second and third quarters in which they outscored Pomona-Pitzer 6-1. Meagan Gins '08 scored a team-high three goals while goalie Allison Carter '10 made a career-high 12 saves. Shana Palencia '10 led the Bison in total points with one goal and three assists.

Second half rallies became a theme for the Bison with their match against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps the day before. The Orange and Blue outscored their opponents 5-1 in the second half, though it was mostly a defensive minded match. Abdou tied former head coach John Zeigler for most wins by a first-year coach. McGillis kept the Athenas in check and off the scoreboard with nine saves.

The Orange and Blue kicked off invitational play with a 13-11 victory over California State San Bernardino. Rowe led a superb offensive with three goals and three assists. Valentina Rozas '10 added another three goals while Palencia



Aubrey Rowe '09 enters this weekend's competition in Kinney Natatorium with her eye set on passing the 200 career point mark.

compiled four steals, two goals and one assist. Carter also had an all around game with 11 saves, three steals and one assist. The team recorded 16 steals overall, and five players had at least three points.

The Bison fell to Cal State North-

ridge 13-9 and are now 1-4 against ranked opponents. The Matadors had a monstrous second half with nine goals and held the Orange and Blue to a

rare single digit output. Carter had five steals and five saves, while Rozas led the team with three goals. Gins and Rozas contributed three steals apiece.

The Orange and Blue gave No. 11 Loyola Marymount 9-6. The team, riding the momentum from capturing its first ECAC Championship, defeated Concordia 12-7 to begin its California campaign. This time the Orange and Blue built a 6-2 first half lead which they never relinquished. Haley Prickett '11 had an outstanding game with four goals and three steals.

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WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday

WOMEN'S LACROSSE - Ohio State, 7:00 p.m., Columbus, Ohio
WOMEN'S WATER POLO - No. 16 Princeton, 7:30 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.

Saturday

BASEBALL - Army, 12:00 p.m. doubleheader, West Point, N.Y.
SOFTBALL - Lafayette, 1:00 p.m. doubleheader, Easton, Pa.
WOMEN'S TENNIS - UMBC, 12:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
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WOMEN'S WATER POLO - George Washington, 12:00 p.m. / St. Francis NY, 3:00p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S LACROSSE - Holy Cross, 1:00 p.m., Worcester, Mass.
MEN'S & WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD - Susquehanna Invitational, TBA, Selinsgrove, Pa. / Maryland Invitational, TBA, College Park, Md.
ROWING - Murphy Cup, TBA, Philadelphia, Pa. (Schuylkill River)

Sunday

BASEBALL - Army, 1:00 p.m. doubleheader, West Point, N.Y.
SOFTBALL - Lafayette, 12:00 p.m., Easton, Pa.
WOMEN'S WATER POLO - Maryland, 12:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S TENNIS - Navy, 1:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
WOMEN'S LACROSSE - Robert Morris, 1:00 p.m., Coraopolis, Pa.

Women's rowing wins 10 of 11 races



The women's varsity boat had successful weekend, edging out teams from Delaware, George Mason and North Carolina at the Rivanna Reservoir in Charlottesville, Va.

By Connie Barko
Senior Writer

The Orange and Blue women's crew won all five races against Delaware and George Mason and five out of six against North Carolina on March 22. These successes followed a challenging contest against Virginia in which the Bison lost all seven races the day before.

"Racing three 'finals' in 24 hours is a significant accomplishment," said Head Coach

Steve Kish. "Winning is always fun and good, but more important to us was that way in which we approached and completed the weekend. It was a successful effort."

At the Rivanna Reservoir in Charlottesville, Va., the Bison faced North Carolina in the morning. In the varsity eight, the team won with a time of six minutes and 48.3 seconds.

The Bison's boat included Jewell Yost '09 (coxswain), Jennie Traves '08 (8), Sophie

Bird '08 (7), Katherine Brewster-Duffy '08 (6) Page Kannon '09 (5), Victoria Dudley '11 (4), Carol Schoenecker '11 (3), Catilin Doolin '09 (2) and Whitney Henry '09 (bow).

The varsity four was composed of Gina DiDomenico '11 (coxswain), Jessica Glenn '08 (4), Anna Johnson '11 (3), Meghan O'Reilly '10 (2) and Allison Martens '11 (bow). They defeated North Carolina with a time of 7:45.76.

The novice eight and novice

four also posted victories with times of 7:14.10 and 7:07.54, respectively. The second novice eight fell to North Carolina (7:28.40) with a time of 8:08.57.

Later the University won all five races against Delaware and George Mason at Fairfax, Va., on the Occoquan Reservoir. The varsity eight posted a time of 6:48.40, and the varsity four finished with a time of 7:53.71.

The Orange and Blue women's crew team rowed against Virginia at the Rivanna Reservoir in Charlottesville, Va., March 21. The women lost all of their seven races, but the University had a respectable performance against a team whose varsity eight is ranked No. 2 nationally according to the CRCA poll.

"The race against Virginia was our team's first race of the spring, and my boat's first race ever together," Kannon said. "It was a lot of firsts for us, and I think we handled them well."

The first event was the varsity four in which the Bison finished third with a time of 7:46.51. In the varsity eight race, Virginia finished with a time of 6:39.20 before the Bison's boat who crossed the line at 6:54.5.

"We definitely worked well together and improved throughout the weekend," said Meghan Murphy '10. "We know we still have a lot to work on, but I'm excited to see what we can do this season, not only in my boat, but also as an entire crew."

The Bison will be competing in the Murphy Cup March 29 in Philadelphia, Pa.

"We are working with one date in mind and that is the April 27th Patriot League Championship," Kish said. "We are working to improve, one day at a time."

Track and Field squads compete in IC4A and ECAC Championships

By Brian Mulligan
Sports Editor

The men's and women's track and field squads finished out their indoor season at regional championships meets March 8-9 in Boston, Mass. Ryan White '10 and Drew Fitzgerald '11 led the men's squad, posting personal records in the heptathlon and high jump respectively at the IC4A championship. Rebecca Frey '11 was the lone scorer for the women's team at the ECAC championship, placing eighth in the pole vault.

Fitzgerald earned All-East honors in the high jump, clearing a height of 6 feet and 8 1/4 inches to place seventh overall in the event. He also beat out his career-best jump, which he set at the Patriot League Championships. White placed ninth in the heptathlon with a total of 4,973 points, beating his career best marks in all but one event in the heptathlon.

"We were not pleased with our overall team score and place, however we did have some pretty good performances," Head Coach Kevin Donner said. "Kerry Boyle '09 and [Kevin] MacLeod '09 ran super in their trials of the 400 but struggled in the finals. Our men's 4x800 relay made the

Championship final and placed 8th in the final to earn All East."

The 4x800 relay team of Brian Mooney '08, John Picardo '11, Clayton Smith '11 and Kyle Ramer '10 competed in the finals after qualifying on Saturday. The Bison placed eighth in a time of 7:43.40, earning All-East honors. In the triple jump, Kyle Anthony '10 placed ninth, clearing a distance of 48-1 1/4.

Boyle and MacLeod posted strong qualifying times in the 400-meter dash, finishing fourth and 10th in the prelims, respectively. In the finals, Boyle took 10th in a time of 0:48.54, while MacLeod finished two spots behind Boyle in 0:49.24.

On the women's side, Frey had a breakout meet in the pole vault, clearing a career-best height of 11-11 1/4 to be the only scorer for the women's squad over the weekend.

"We [the women's team] had some great performances along with some not so great performances," Donner said. "The highlight was Rebecca Frey scoring in the pole vault. She is only a freshman who has a great future."

The 4x800 relay team placed ninth in the finals in 9:13.07 after posting a qualifying time

of 9:07.76 on Saturday. The squad consisted of Mariel Fink '08, Victoria Gilbert '08, Allison Janda '10 and Offeibea Hanson-Hall '08. The distance medley relay team of Laura Cundley '10, Jenny Dalzell '09, Sarah Moniz '11 and Jennifer Pierce '10 crossed the finish line in 12:11.61, placing 16th overall.

The ECAC and IC4A championships marked the end of the indoor season. The Bison will be sending squads to both the Maryland Invitational in College Park, Md. or the Susquehanna Invitational in Selinsgrove, Pa. to kick off their outdoor season over the weekend.

"I believe we have a better outdoor team than indoor team on both genders," Donner said. "Our women are looking to win its 5th PL title in a row and I believe our men are ready to go after the win as well. They are confident after beating Navy last outdoor season and beating Army this indoor season."

The women's team was picked first in the pre-season Patriot League poll in hopes of earning their fifth straight outdoor title. The men's squad was picked their in the preseason poll behind Patriot League rivals, Army and Navy.



Dave Mante '08 will defend his 2007 outdoor Patriot League title this spring.

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Women's lacrosse begins Patriot League play

Bison open conference season with losses to American and Holy Cross, beat Lafayette 20-11

By Kyle Barndollar
Sports Editor

The women's lacrosse team went 2-3 since its season opener before break, beating Lafayette and La Salle and losing to American, Duquesne and Holy Cross. Carol Donohue '10 led the team over the span scoring 21 points on 13 goals and eight assists. The Bison are now 3-3 on the season, and 1-2 in the Patriot League.

In their most recent contest, the Orange and Blue outlasted La Salle 16-10. Paige Kasschau '10 and Alison Heffernan '10 each scored five points for the Bison, including two goals apiece during a six goal scoring streak to begin the second half that sealed the win.

Bonnie Buechel '09 started the game with an unassisted goal, and after Emily Bonczek tied the score 1-1, the Bison went on a five goal run to take a 6-1

lead. La Salle would score three of the next five goals to close the half at 8-4. Heffernan's second goal of the game kicked off the second half and a 6-0 run for the Bison that all but ended the game. La Salle would score six of the next eight goals, but never got closer than a five goal deficit.

Three days earlier the Bison suffered their second conference loss of the year at Holy Cross.

Two consecutive goals from Buechel helped the Bison to an early 2-1 lead. The defending champions responded with a 15-2 run that lasted until the late second half.

Goals from Buechel and Laura Van Schaack '11 in the final minute made the final score 16-6 in favor of the Crusaders.

The Bison played a closer game two days earlier when they hosted Duquesne.

**Duquesne 12
Bucknell 9**

Donohue notched four goals and an assist in the game. Sarah Collins '09 and Heffernan each added two points for the Bison, who led 9-8 with 10 minutes to play.

The Dukes battled back with four straight goals in the closing minutes to earn a 12-9 victory.

"People started to step up in the Duquesne game; we saw things that we haven't seen before from certain people," Heffernan said. "This was an important game for us - it will prepare us for our tough schedule ahead."

The Bison earned their first conference victory five days earlier, defeating Lafayette 20-11 in Easton, Pa.

Donohue was the star once again for the Orange and Blue, accumulating eight points on four goals and four assists.

A 13 goal second half that included

an 8-0 run helped the Bison put the Leopards away.

Kasschau also had three goals and one assist in the win.

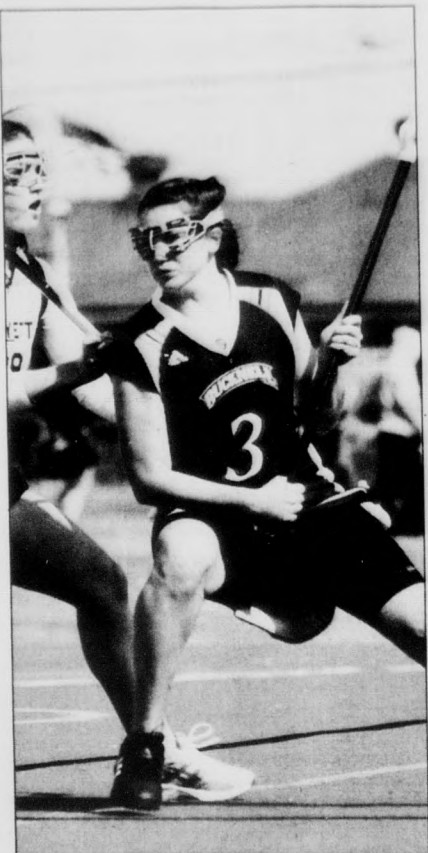
"PL games are incredibly important; they determine whether or not we play in late April," Michelle Milot said. "We want to continue as far as possible."

The Bison lost their conference opener on March 8th, falling 16-9 to American. Lauren Lane and Lauren

Asionkoff each led the Eagles with five points apiece, while Donohue had four points for the Orange and Blue.

An early 2-0 lead for the Bison quickly turned into a 10-3 halftime deficit, as American, who currently sits at first place in the conference, breezed to a seven goal victory.

The Bison will be back in action March 28 when they travel to Columbus, Ohio, to face the Ohio State Buckeyes.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Carol Donohue '10 leads the Bison in points, notching 26 points over 6 games.

Baseball goes 7-7 over break Softball suffers tough road trip to California

By Kenny Black
Senior Writer

The men's baseball team improved to 10-9-2 for the season Wednesday afternoon torching the Susquehanna Crusaders 18-7 at Depew Field. The Bison built a 12-0 lead after two innings and cruised to victory on the strength of its offense. Third baseman John Avanzino '10 led the way, going 3-for-6 with two doubles, three runs and four RBIs. Daniel Hart '11 collected the win (1-0) from the mound.

The Bison also swept its doubleheader against Clarion at home Tuesday afternoon. Jason Buursma '08 earned three home runs and eight RBIs, leading the team to victory against the Golden Eagles 19-1 and 15-3.

The Orange and Blue had 32 hits, four home runs and 33 RBIs for the afternoon. In game two, Eric Jarrett '11 got the win (3-2) for the Bison, pitching three shutout innings and striking out three batters. Dylan Seely '11 recorded the win (1-0) in game one for his first collegiate victory, going three innings and allowing one run on three hits with no walks or strikeouts.

Last Sunday, the Bison split its doubleheader with Delaware State in Dover, Del. Dane Grandizio '09 blasted his third homer of the season, a three-run shot in the top of the eighth to break the 7-7 tie as the Bison went on to win game two 10-7. Buursma came in to pitch five innings, giving up two runs on six hits with four strikeouts and earned the win (3-0).

In game one, the Bison quickly fell behind the Hornets

and helped the Bison down the Colonels.

The Orange and Blue open Patriot League play this weekend as they get set to take on Army in a four-game series in West Point, N.Y.

Buursma, who was named Damon's Bison Athlete of the Week on Monday, said, "I think we are going to be competitive in the Patriot League. Our hitters have proved they can score runs, our pitchers have proved they can throw well and our defense has not made many errors, but we are going to have to put all three together in order to be successful."

Back at Lewisburg the previous Thursday, the Orange and Blue rallied for a 4-3 win over Mount St. Mary's in 10 innings. Buursma was the hero again, drawing a bases-loaded walk in the bottom of the 10th to plate Ben Allen '10.

The Bison trailed 3-2 entering the bottom of the ninth. Shawn Hirsch's '08 sac fly scored Buursma and tied the game at three. Buursma relieved Jarrett and received the win (2-0), pitching 2.1 innings of hitless ball and striking out three batters.

The Bison went 2-5 on their spring break trip in Bradenton, Fla., winning their first two contests against IPFW and Eastern Kentucky 8-3 and 8-1 respectively, before losing five straight games against the likes of Eastern Illinois (twice), Illinois State, Vermont and Akron. One of the lone bright spots for the Bison was Avanzino, who racked up six RBIs against Eastern Kentucky

Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Eric Jarrett '11 has the best ERA for the Bison at 2.51.

By John Mlodzinski
Senior Writer

The Orange and Blue women's softball team returned home after a nine-game road trip to face Coppin State on March 22 and Penn State on March 25. The team was inconsistent during the road trip and subsequent home games, but remains competitive.

"Our spring break trip provided us with a lot of really tough competition... we competed in every game and held our own. It was a great experience for us. Now we just want to finish strong and come up with more timely hitting to push some more runs across the board to win," Ashley Beans '09 said.

After returning home from the road trip, the team easily defeated Coppin State 20-0 and 17-0. In the first game of the doubleheader, the Bison exploded out of the gate, scoring seven runs in the first inning followed by another ten in the second. The team also added one run in the third and two more in the fourth.

Leading the Bison offensive attack were Cassie Lloyd '09, Sam Rollandi '11 and Jessie Snyder '11, each scoring three runs and Alison Ford '11 with a team-high four RBIs. Christie Wiest '08 and Heather Haskin '08 took the mound for the Bison. Wiest pitched three strong innings and allowed only two hits to pick up the win. Haskin relieved Wiest and allowed only one hit in her two innings of work.

The early-inning offensive surge continued in game two for the Bison as the team put up seven runs in both the first and second innings and three more in the third. Leading the Bison in this game was Elyse Colmenero '11, with three runs. Katie McDonald '09 received the starting nod for the Bison and pitched three strong innings while allowing only two hits and recording six strikeouts. Sherry Finkel '10 came on in the fourth inning and only allowed two hits.

For her efforts against Coppin State, Ford was named Patriot League Player of the Week, an honor not bestowed on a Bison player in over a year. She had six RBIs and batted .800 in the twin bill. She brought her season average up from .162 to .238.

The Orange and Blue looked to keep their winning streak going as they faced Penn State. The



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Sherry Finkel '10 had a batting average .299, which was 14th in the Patriot League last season.

Bison were not able to match the offensive fire power of the Nittany Lions and lost both games 6-2, 15-3.

The nine-game road trip over spring break provided a tough test for the team early in the season. The team played competitively, but was only able to earn one win. On March 16 the team traveled to San Diego, Calif to face the University of San Diego in a doubleheader.

The Bison recorded a combined 19 hits, but the team lost both games 5-3 and 7-0.

Leading the Bison was Lauren Fry '11, who went 5-7 on the day and had five consecutive hits. Wiest went the distance in the first game, but was unable to stop the Toreros' offense from scoring three times and picked up the loss.

On March 15 the Bison faced Illinois-Chicago and Loyola Marymount. The team dropped both games 7-0 to Illinois-Chicago and 3-1 to Loyola Marymount. Fry was once again the star for the Bison as she reached base all four times she came to the plate.

On March 14, despite taking the lead in the seventh inning, the Bison fell to UC Santa Barbara 5-4. Haskin took the loss after surrendering three runs in the bottom of the seventh. Earlier in the day, the team looked as if it would be picking up its first win of the week in remark-

able comeback fashion. With the team down 3-1 against Illinois-Chicago in the bottom of the second, the Bison had runners on second and third and no outs, but the offense could only produce one run as it fell 3-2.

The Bison faced Loyola Marymount on March 13 and was only able to muster one hit in the game. Wiest started for the Bison and allowed only three runs, but this was enough for Loyola Marymount as they picked up the win by a score of 3-0.

The Bison started the road trip in Washington D.C. against George Washington. Behind some timely hitting in the middle of the lineup, the team earned a split in the doubleheader. This part of the lineup contributed five runs and five RBIs in what would turn out to be a 10-5 victory for the Bison. McDonald picked up her first win of the season for the University.

The first game was much more defensive. The Orange and Blue were only able to manage one run in the game and eventually fell, 2-1.

For her efforts in the team's trip to California, Fry was honored with the Patriot League Softball Rookie of the Week award. During the trip, she batted .471 with four walks and a .571 on-base percentage.

The Bison return to action on Wednesday when they travel to UMBC to play a make-up game.

MLAX from B1

tense. With both defenses playing at such a high level it really magnified every possession's importance because every goal could potentially be the game winner," Brandau said.

Winter scored the Orange and Blue's first two goals, and Nick Marks '08 found the back of the net to tie the game with two minutes and 27 seconds remaining in regulation.

Tim Paul scored on a Nick Mirabito assist with 1:20 minutes remaining in overtime to seal the win for the Midshipmen.

Goalkeeper Matt Antonelli '09 played brilliantly after replacing Sciubba early in the second quarter. He recorded 11 saves and allowed just two goals in 43:41 minutes of action.

"I really hope we get another shot at Navy in the Patriot League tournament. I think we matched up well with them, and we would all love another opportunity to beat them," Brandau said.

During spring break, the Bison completed the back end of a perfect 5-0 home stand with

victories over Lafayette (2-4), Fairfield (3-3) and Mount St. Mary's (1-5). Mele averaged 3.3 goals per game in the three wins.

The University defeated Lafayette 9-7 in their Patriot League opener.

Prior to that game, John Togneri '09 scored his second game winner of the season to edge Fairfield 9-8.

**Bucknell 14
Mount St. Mary's 6**

The Bison dominated Mount St. Mary's 14-6 after holding a 14-2 lead in the third quarter on a rainy day at Christy Matheson-Memorial Stadium. Mele and Brandau scored five goals each in the contest.

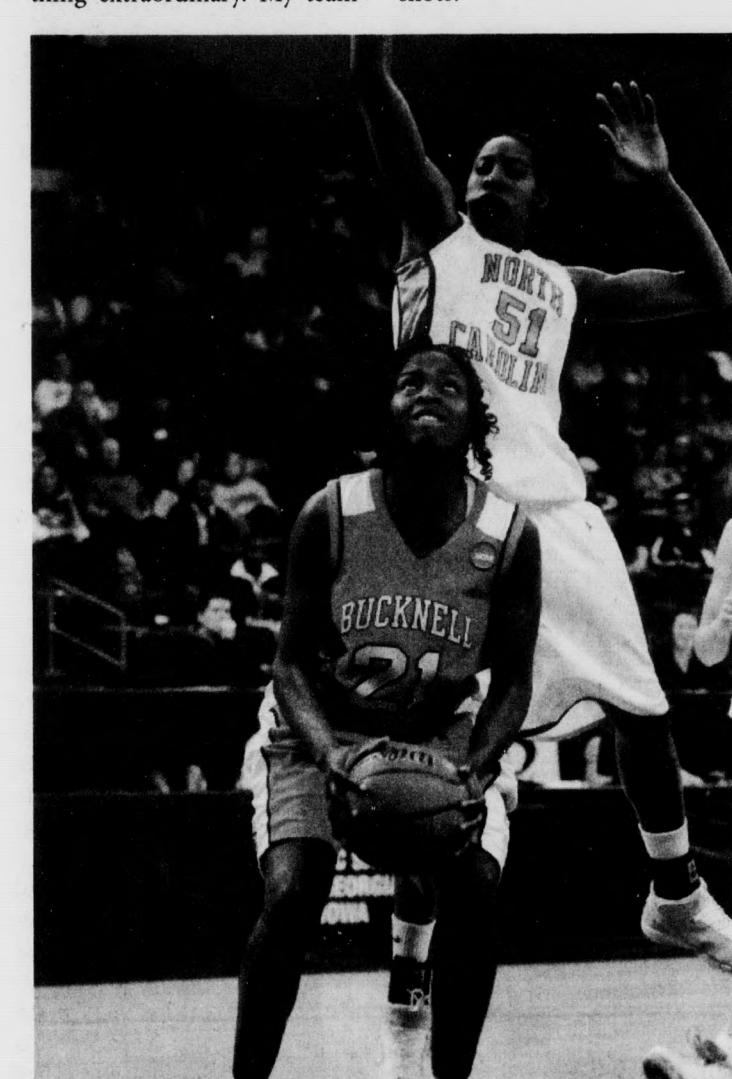
The Bison are now 1-1 in Patriot League play and look to improve upon that mark against Holy Cross (3-4) Saturday at Hart Turf Field in Worcester, Mass.

mates just got me the ball." Schober added 14 points and five rebounds, while Champion scored 11. Hope Foster '08 scored just six points, but had nine rebounds and three blocked shots.

NCAA from B1

ble-double, with career- and game-highs in points (18) and rebounds (13) in 29 minutes of action.

"I was just getting good passes and making layups," Novacek said. "It wasn't doing anything extraordinary. My team-



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Hope Foster '08 closes her career as the University's all-time leader in rebounds and blocks.

TENNIS from B1

the caliber of talent that Navy has," Malloy stated. "I feel that the weather has cost our team from getting a feel for the conditions of outside courts, as well as match experience, but I am sure that we will be prepared for the weekend. Our team has still kept a positive mindset, as well as a focused one, and we are prepared for the rest of our season."

The men's team would not allow their momentum to be stopped as they picked up a 7-0 win over Mount Saint Mary's on Tuesday. The Bison are now on a five match win streak and only had one match even remotely close as Kovic won his third set tiebreak 17-15. Malloy continues to lead the Bison in doubles victories with eight while Jonathan Brenner '09, Kovic and Malloy are all tied with seven wins for the singles lead. The team is now 7-3 overall on the season.

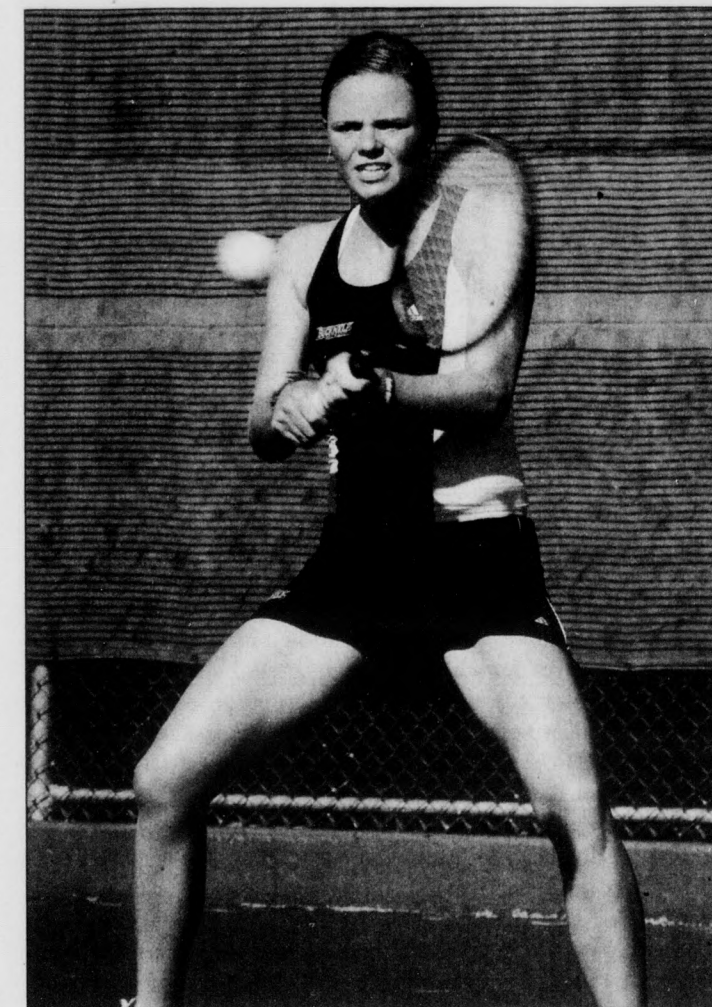
The Bison women opened up their spring break with a 7-0 sweep over Northwestern (Minn.). Lauren Lucido '11 played her third match at num-

ber one singles and for the third time she came out on top. Lucido shutout Kayla Ross, 6-0, 6-0. Lauren Rottkamp '11 won her first match at number three singles as she too shutout her opponent. Kirstyn Sotak '10 appeared in her first singles match of the season. She won her number six match 6-3, 6-0.

The Orange and Blue's next and final match of spring break came against the Rams of Winston Salem State. The women, like the men against Winston Salem State, came out on top 7-0. Lucido blanked her opponent for her second straight match and she also won her number one doubles match with Tania Varela '10, 8-1.

The women continued their winning ways as they shut out visiting Mount Saint Mary's 7-0. Lucido leads the team in doubles this season with five and is tied for the singles lead with Rottkamp with six wins apiece. The win was the Bison's fourth in a row and brought them to an even 5-5 overall on the season.

The Bison men and women return to action this weekend as they both take on UMBC on Saturday the 29 at 12 p.m.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Kirstyn Sotak '10 paired up doubles partner Renee Weissend '10 to win the No. 3 doubles against Mount St. Mary's.

point cushion.

The Black Knights rallied again, despite just shooting 25.8 percent for the game, to tie the score at 47 with ten seconds left, but Alex McGuire missed a free throw that would have given Army the lead. Ashton Sprouse '08 grabbed the defensive rebound and passed the ball off to Brown. She brought the team up the court, received a critical screen from Champion, pumped to let her defender fly by and released the game-winning three-point shot that sailed through the net with just 0.7 seconds left.

"I knew that when [Amanda]

caught the ball that [Patriot League Defensive Player of the Year Marjorie] King was guarding her," Champion, who scored 13 points and grabbed seven rebounds, said. "Obviously, I wouldn't want anyone else on my team taking the last jump shot. She's a great shooter. Hey, if the defensive player of the year is going to play you, I don't have a problem screening to get you open. I'll do anything to win. That's all I was thinking."

That thinking is why the Bison won this year's Patriot League Tournament championship.

Women's Basketball Class of 2008 Career Statistics

Hope Foster
Games played - 120 (University rank - T-1st all time)
Games started - 105
Points - 1,256 (9)
Rebounds - 904 (1)
Blocks - 344 (1)
Double doubles - 17

Kesha Champion
Games played - 120 (T-1)
Games started - 120 (1)
Points - 1,016 (T-16th)
Assists - 361 (3)
Steals - 178 (10)
3-pointers made - 60 (10)

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Kristina Collymore
Games played - 114
Games started - 39
Points - 420
Rebounds - 213
Assists - 140
Steals - 101

Ashton Sprouse
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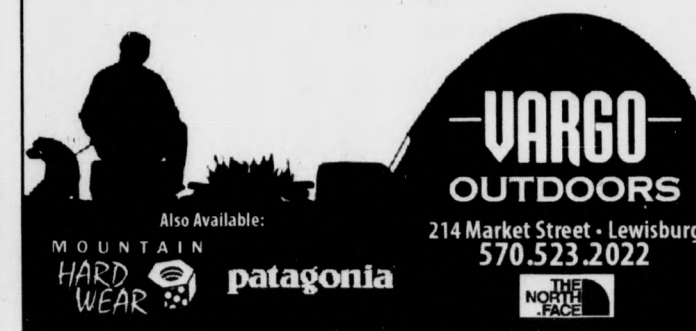
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By Rina Van Orden
Features Editor

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Place smoke detectors on every floor of your house and check the batteries regularly so you always know they're in working order. It's a good idea to place them close to the ceiling because smoke rises. Make sure you will be able to hear an alarm from all sleeping areas.

Consider installing a carbon monoxide detector as well, especially near your sleeping area so that if it sounds, you will wake up. An odorless, colorless and tasteless gas, carbon monoxide inhibits your blood's ability to carry oxygen to your vital organs, and prolonged exposure to it can cause brain damage or death.

According to the Environmental Protection Agency, carbon monoxide leaks can stem from multiple sources including leaky chimneys or furnaces, gasoline powered equipment including generators and water heaters, and automobile exhaust in attached garages or nearby parking areas. For more information on causes and symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning, visit www.cdc.gov/co/faqs.htm.

In case of natural disasters, keep at least one sealed gallon of water for every person in your household and canned food from every food group somewhere that is easily reachable. Also include a first aid kit in this stash.

Consider getting certified in CPR by taking classes at your local Red Cross. Also keep an eye out for CPR certification courses offered here at the University. Once you take the course, you will need to renew your certification every two years or so - whatever expiration date it says on your certification card.

The Heimlich maneuver is also an important life-saving technique to know how to perform. Post instructions for the Heimlich on your refrigerator, especially if there are children present, as they are more likely to choke on food or other objects. Find instructions on how to perform the Heimlich maneuver on yourself, infants, and others at www.heimlichinstitute.org.

For women in particular, consider taking a self-defense class. Public safety offers Rape Aggression Defense courses on campus about four times a year. Look for other self-defense classes in your community through local hospitals and police stations.

By being prepared for different problematic situations, you can better address them if they happen. Knock on wood they don't, and have a fun and safe House Party Weekend!

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Hungry and cold on campus

Students for Fair Trade raise awareness for poverty with demonstration in April

By Tracy Lum
Staff Writer

With readily available food, clothes and other materials, it is difficult for many to imagine the desperation and need plaguing people in poor communities.

In order to show the campus community a clear image of poverty, Students for Fair Trade (SFT) have planned a poverty demonstration April 20-23.

The goal of the event is to raise awareness about poverty on multiple levels: local, national and global.

The demonstration was planned for this week, but was moved due to excessively cold weather.

Students for Fair Trade will set up handmade tarp tents on the uphill side of the Elaine Langone Center like they have for the past two years.

Approximately 15 members will sleep in these tents for five days and live on a mere \$1 per day. This \$1 will cover the costs for food, shelter and even water. Because of this monetary restriction, the students' diet will consist mostly of rice and beans they will cook outdoors.

The students will try to remain on the grounds as much as possible, attending only classes and meetings.

"It should not be confused with a simulation," said Lauren Hallanan '10, president of SFT. "We are not able to completely replicate the lives of the poor."

Aside from verbally educating people who walk by the grounds, SFT will also display about 40 posters with facts about global poverty.

Students going through the extremes of sleeping outdoors and subsisting on a sparse diet will likely catch the attention of many passersby.

SFT hopes anyone who witnesses the event will be curious and inclined to learn more

about the issue of poverty.

"I think the demo is extremely important because a large majority of Bucknellians don't have to deal with issues of poverty on a day-to-day basis," Hallanan said. "At Bucknell it is easy to distance yourself from the real world and not notice what is going on around you."

Hallanan hopes the campus community will realize poverty can occur everywhere—not just in third world countries or city slums. Even seemingly wealthy communities can have members stricken with poverty.

"We are trying to raise awareness about poverty because the majority of the world has to deal with it every day," said Jessica Sturzenegger '10, vice president of Students for Fair Trade.

"We also want to encourage people to realize how lucky we are and try to empathize with those who live daily without simple necessities like food and water."

Likewise, Saskia Madlener '08, an active member of Students for Fair Trade, believes the poverty demonstration will help educate students and give them a greater sense of the real world.

"I think it is important that as well-educated individuals, we graduate with the desire to make the world a little better," Madlener said. "A reminder here and there of the great income disparity on the globe is just another way to cultivate better students."

For Sturzenegger, the poverty demonstration represents the first step in the course of action against poverty. It will raise awareness and clarify an issue that can seem very distant and elusive.

"People need to be educated on the issues and then need to

have a way to organize together in order to make it more effective at the government level," she said, "but without an awareness or interest in learning more, the fight against poverty is nearly impossible."

Hallanan believed there are many courses of action in the fight against poverty. At the local level, she believes people should volunteer at soup kitchens and shelters.

Another alternative is to donate clothes or other items to organizations such as the Salvation Army. Too often useful items that we take for granted are thrown away.

On the governmental level, she maintains the most important thing is for people to get involved with the upcoming election.

On the other hand, Madlener acknowledged there is no one solution to the poverty issue.

"Every place and situation is different and therefore different tactics are necessary to achieve the right goals," she said.

"From what I have observed and experienced, the best way for the common people

to impact change and progress towards alleviating poverty is to mobilize locally and work at the grassroots level in a nonviolent manner."

Alex Muchow '11 stressed the importance of the demonstration. "University is about more than academic learning," he said. "It also serves to inform responsible citizenry, one which is mindful of its obligation to care for 'the least among us.' So by that measure, I think that the Students for Fair Trade are doing us all a favor."

Muchow, who is not a member of Students for Fair Trade, later added, "Now is the time for Bucknell to make an even greater effort in supporting programs of social justice, and in creating an atmosphere that is more conducive to social justice discussion."

In addition to the demonstration, Students for Fair Trade will bring a Human Rights Awareness Tour to campus the second week of April. This event will include two guest speakers, a fair trade coffee night, fashion show, art exhibit, barbeque and concert.



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The Bucknellian Crossword

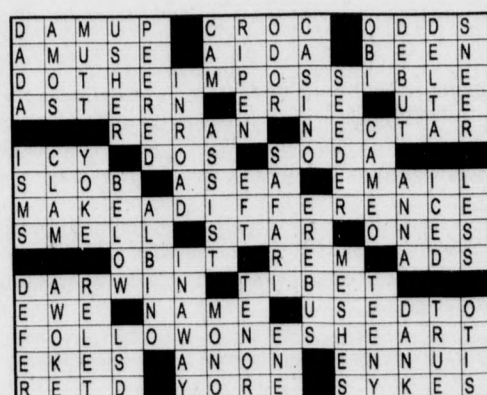
ACROSS:

1. Jiffy
6. The East
10. Unaccompanied
14. _ Blanche
15. "Shoot!"
16. Kind of package
17. Encourage the team
18. Mr. Mussolini
19. Super server
20. Rags to Riches story
23. Ditty
24. In a crazy manner
25. Lower half
29. Musical ability
30. Pitcher
31. Numero uno
34. Blue-book filler
39. Jarabe Tapatio, to an outsider
42. New York family name
43. Supermarket section
44. Homer Simpson's mother
45. "... show time!"
47. Make a comeback
49. Spring bloomer
53. Delhi wrap
55. Breakfast meat
59. Pint-sized
60. Hilo happening
61. Conjure up
64. Pennsylvania city
65. Elevator man?
66. Arrive, as darkness
67. Venison
68. Acting job
69. The way things are going

DOWN:

1. TV Monitor?
2. "Well, ...di-dahl!"
3. Carpet layer's calculation
4. Plant part
5. From _ there
6. Fold (in cooking)
7. Pasta partner
8. Ancient Andean
9. To-do list
10. Winter warmer
11. Be silent, in music
12. He's _ nowhere man (lyric)
13. Sick
21. Cuban dance
22. Tested one's nerve
25. Raised platform
26. Has debts
27. Cell chat
28. Donald Duck's nephew's, e.g.
29. Common Latin abbr.
32. Cuts off
33. That girl
35. Walton and Donaldson
36. Winter forecast
37. Teenage concern
38. Two semesters
40. Wept

41. Pageant prize
46. Profession obsessed with fitness
48. Like Miss Congeniality
49. Performed
50. Nation in Africa (1971-1997)
51. Depression Era orphan
52. Cake tier
53. French delicacy
54. Drug _
56. Car
57. Finished
58. Musical mark
62. Relations
63. Finale



March 7 Answers

FEATURES

Minding our mental health

Students bring national "Active Minds" chapter to University

By Rajaa Qadri
Staff Writer

The University recently established a chapter of Active Minds on campus, a national organization of students promoting mental health awareness, education and advocacy.

According to the web site, "Active Minds utilizes peer outreach to educate students about mental health issues, the symptoms of mental illness and available resources."

On campus, Active Minds will provide information about resources available on campus as well as encourage students to seek help as soon as needed.

"Essentially what we do is explain through pamphlets, speakers and events that receiving help for any emotional problems is not out of the ordinary, especially between the ages of 18 and 24," said Eric Willner '11, president of Active Minds.

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President of Active Minds

puses, so those who suffer feel alone and don't realize that they are experiencing treatable symptoms of real medical illnesses," Willner said.

Active Minds was founded in 2001 by Alison Malm, a junior at the University of Pennsylvania at the time, after her brother, Brian, committed suicide.

Brian was suffering from depression and psychosis for more than three years prior to his suicide, but hid his mental trauma from everyone around him.

Malm realized many people suffer from mental illness, yet few openly talk about their problems.

In order to help prevent tragedies like Brian's, Malm be-

gan to encourage students who might be suffering from mental illness to seek help.

The headquarters of Active Minds is in Washington, D.C., with chapters on college campuses across the country.

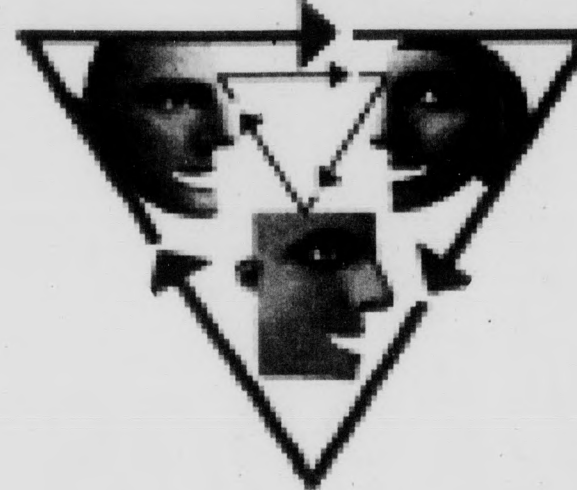
Each chapter is affiliated with Active Minds, Inc., but also obtains status as a student organization on its campus.

There are about 117 chapters of Active Minds across the United States.

"I am pleased and impressed that there are a group of Bucknell students who are willing to talk about mental health. We all struggle at times and we all sometimes need support. Active Minds is a great way for students to educate the campus community," said Eric Afsprung, associate director of psychological services and Active Minds advisor.

"Right now, on campus, we have 20 members and are welcoming anyone who is interested to join," Willner said. "I would encourage students to look into it and join us for this good cause. Saving just a single life from suicide makes our whole project worthwhile."

Sara Roth contributed to this article.



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Living Well at Bucknell

Staying safe at House Party

By Alexandra Costa
Writer

The University's annual House Party Weekend is a time to celebrate friendship, Greek Life on campus and the end of the academic year. A weekend filled with partying, free food and great music can be one to remember, but House Party Weekend introduces several potential dangers, including excessive alcohol consumption, being alone at a party or while walking around campus, and guest irresponsibility.

Excessive alcohol consumption: Students should remember the potential dangers of excessive drinking. First, students under 21 can get in trouble with public safety and local police authorities. Also, if you drink too much, alcohol poisoning can occur. This means the amount of alcohol in your bloodstream is high enough to hinder basic physiological processes like respiration, kidney, liver and brain function.

Over-consumption of alcohol can lead to unconsciousness, vomiting, brain damage and even death. Other dangers such as date rape and sexual assault can also occur.

Such results can be avoided by drinking safely. Eat sufficiently before and while drinking, alternate non-alcoholic drinks to slow consumption, count your drinks, set limits before you begin, and know how fast your blood alcohol content level goes up.

Alcohol affects women and men differently. Women become more intoxicated than men after drinking the same amount of alcohol, even when differences in body weight are taken into account; women's bodies have proportionately less water than men's.

Being alone: The buddy system is vital when participating in House Party Weekend. While walking around campus or at a party, everyone should have a friend with them at all times to act as a safety net. Never leave a friend at a party or walk alone.

Always carry your cell phone in case of an emergency or if a friend needs to reach you. Before you leave your dorm, mod or house, make sure to get your friends' phone numbers and plan on meeting times for the day or night.

Guest irresponsibility: While guests from home are more responsible for their guests' actions and behavior. For example, if a guest is caught drinking underage, the host will receive the points given to his or her guest.

House Party Weekend should be fun and a time to celebrate, but will be more enjoyable for all if safety precautions are taken seriously.

If in an emergency call Public Safety at 570-577-1111.

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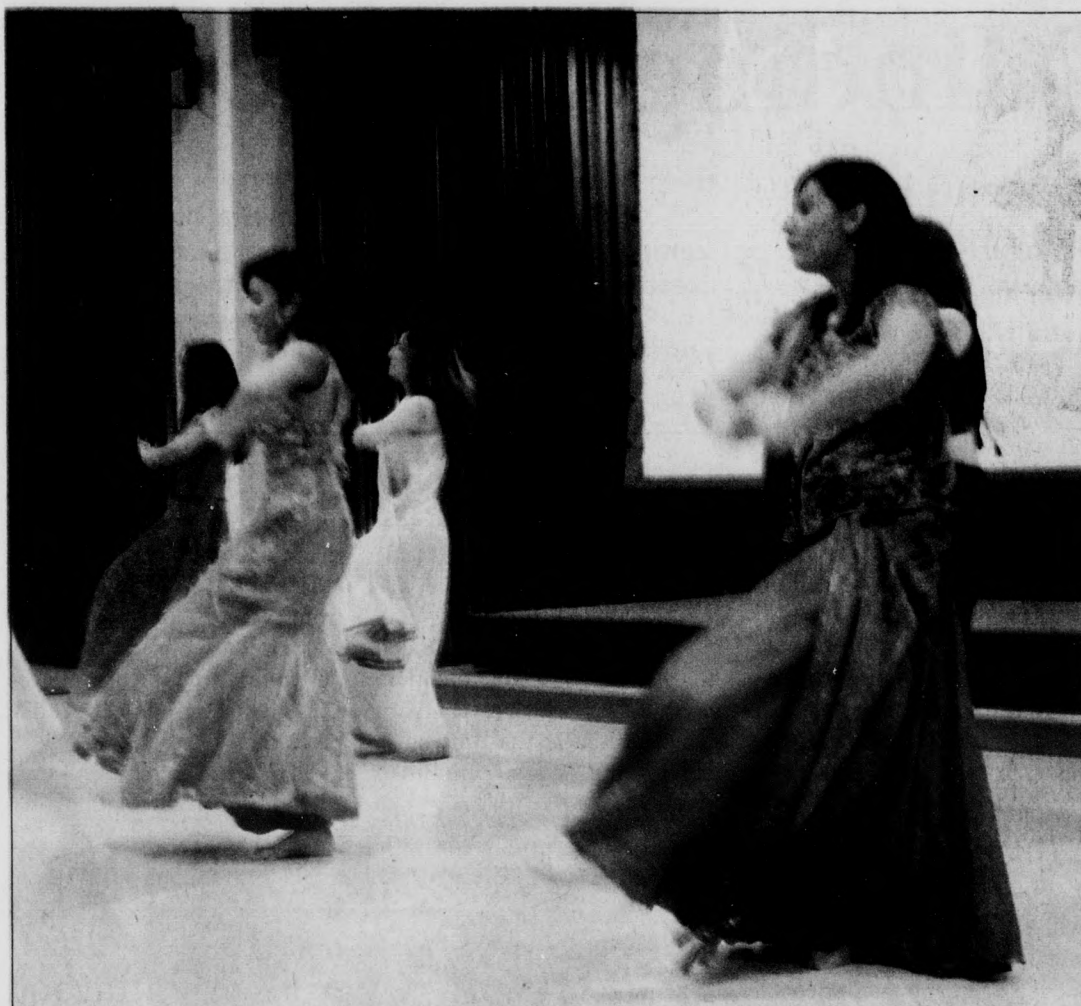
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Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
The Korean Society Association create a flower pattern with ornamental fans. From left to right: Ashley Magurnay, Aiko Okubayashi, Nga Nguyen, and Li Wan.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
The South Asian Students Association (SASA) performs one of the night's many Asian dances while a display of Asian flags and images plays in the background. SASA chose to perform a traditional Northern Indian dance.

Asian Gala 2008

By Sara Roth
Features Editor

Students for Asian Awareness at Bucknell (SAAB) hosted their annual Asian Gala in Larison Dining Hall Saturday. The Asian Gala marked the beginning of Asian Awareness week on campus.

SAAB, which encompasses all Asian cultures, works to promote knowledge about Asian heritage and acts as the voice of Asian and Asian-Americans at the University and the Lewisburg community.

More than 180 people attended the gala. Guests were served traditional foods from Japan, the Philippines, Thailand, China, Korea, Vietnam and India. Dishes included chicken pho, tandoori chicken, Thai tofu curry, Korean barbeque ribs and almond fruit floats.

Students cooked and served the dishes to guests, who were treated to traditional Asian dances while they ate.

"The food was excellent and the dancing was spectacular," said Admissions Office Assistant Robertoa Reed '07.

Student groups such as the South Asian Students Association (SASA) and the Latino Dance Corner performed a variety of Asian dances throughout the evening.

Ranging from traditional Northern Indian dance evoking Bollywood glamour, to contemporary Korean dance, to a Chinese umbrella dance using ornamental umbrellas to create fluid, beautiful patterns, the performances enhanced guests' appreciation for different Asian cultures.

"The commitment and excitement from the students was evident," said Jennifer Hansum, writing and teaching consultant for the Writing Center.

The gala lasted three hours and impressed many of the guests.

"An amazing amount of work went in [to the event]," said Heath Hansum, lighting design and tech director for the department of Theater and Dance.

"[The students] showed us different segments of their culture that we would have not seen otherwise," said Reed, who brought her two sons and granddaughter to the event.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Jessi Shui and Andy Pascual emceed the gala. The emcees introduced the many Asian dances and directed guests to the buffet.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
The Chinese Cultural Association performs an umbrella dance. From left to right: Kimberly Basset, Qian Huang, and Yabel Chen.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Members of the Bucknell Student Government (BSG) co-sponsored the event.

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Former first daughter campaigns for mom

Chelsea Clinton visits the University to discuss mother's politics

By Bethany Lavins
Staff Writer

Chelsea Clinton, daughter of presidential candidate Sen. Hillary Clinton (D-N.Y.), yesterday lent support to her mother's campaign, answering questions about the senator's stance on policy issues and vision for change in America.

By noon, the Weis Center lobby was packed with students and members of the University community, as well as many people from the surrounding towns. Sarah Smith drove down from Watstown "just to hear what she

[Chelsea Clinton] had to say."

Many students were encouraged that the University was attracting more political attention.

"I'm happy that Bucknell is bringing more candidates representatives," Amelia Minnich '11 said.

Kim Reynolds '09, president of College Democrats, which sponsored the event, opened the talk by introducing Chelsea Clinton and her accomplishments.

After taking the stage, the former first daughter said her goal was to help the audience make a more informed assessment of her mother's campaign.

"I am a passionate supporter of my mom," she said. "And not only because she is my mom."

She encouraged students to go to www.HillaryClinton.com, as well as the Web sites of the other candidates, and

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Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Chelsea Clinton aims to give the local community a more informed assessment of her mother's policies. She is the third surrogate of a presidential candidate to visit the University.

Police incident report forms stress accountability

By Wendy Schibener
Contributing Writer

Bucknell Student Government (BSG) recently implemented Incident Report Forms, allowing students to document concerns related to police officers in the Lewisburg area.

Students may report any perceived abuse by Lewisburg Police, Pennsylvania State Police, East Buffalo Police or Public Safety to BSG.

The form asks for a basic summary of events as well as any participants involved, orders given, the tone of the exchange and whether physical force was initiated by law enforcement officials.

"We will be looking for common themes, personnel problems, et cetera," said BSG representatives. "BSG is trying to be proactive and advocate downtown rights."

The incident report forms, available on the BSG Web site, will allow BSG to collect documentation of incidents with law enforcement and then take the necessary steps to fix any trends in maltreatment.

Jason Friedberg, chief of public safety, gave suggestions for the format of the incident report form and is welcoming the new program.

"The form will merely substitute the one you would need to fill out to file a complaint at Public Safety," Friedberg said.

"We are looking toward alternative measures and resources in order to encourage a change in police behavior. Dialogue has simply not proved fruitful," said Jordan Franklin '09, BSG vice president of operations.

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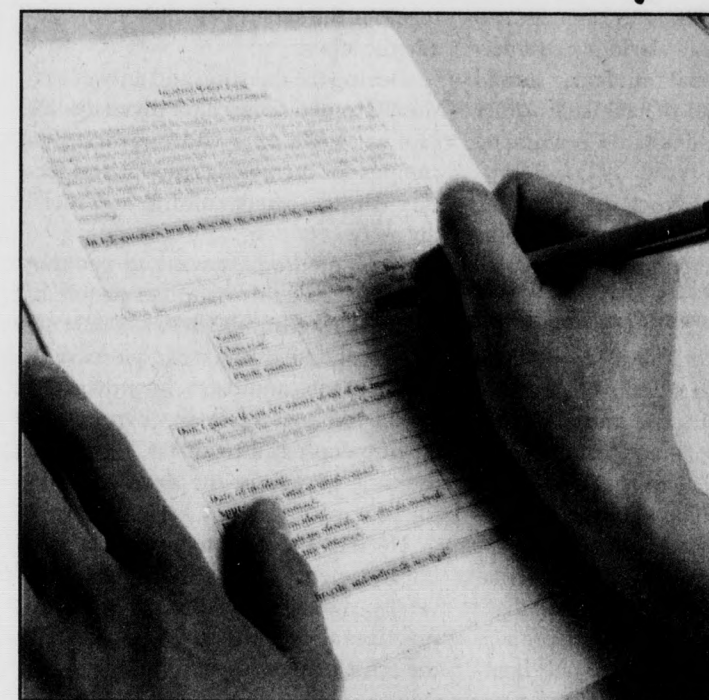


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With Incident Report Forms, Bucknell Student Government (BSG) hopes to fix any trends in police mistreatment towards

The Lewisburg Police Department (LPD) was made aware of this new form during a Student-Downtown Advisory Board meeting in past weeks. Friedberg and Paul Yost, chief of LPD, were among the members present.

"I don't really know where the need for the forms is coming from," Yost said. "We have done as much as we can to open the lines of communication between Bucknell students and the Lewisburg Police Department—from personal meetings to simply eating on campus."

The Incident Report Forms, once completed by students, will be read over by BSG on an individual basis. Once a recurring problem is perceived, BSG plans to contact the law enforcement body and give a week for solutions to be presented.

"We're not as 'Gestapo' as we could be... there's a lot of leniency that goes on Friday and Saturday nights," Yost said.

Forms can be found at www.bucknellstudentgovernment.com.

BSG's hidden agenda is in this. If they want to do research or collect data, that's fine, I'd be happy to help," Yost said. "I just wish that the middle person would be cut out and students come talk directly to me—either in person, on the telephone, on e-mail or even fax—than let months pass."

BSG's main concern with the LPD is the number of officers stationed on streets downtown and the way officers speak to students, BSG officials said. The LPD, however, does not share this view.

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The Bucknellian garners 2nd place award

The Bucknellian placed second for layout and design in the collegiate division of the 2008 Keystone Press Awards from the Pennsylvania Newspaper Association.

Chris Stokes '06, former Bucknellian photographer, and Janna Shapiro '08, former arts and entertainment assigning editor, were recognized for their back-page layout, "Dance Dance Revolution!" in the Feb. 9, 2007 issue. Winners were recognized at a luncheon on March 12 at the America East Newspaper Operations and Technology Conference.

Copyright: New technology calls for retooling of laws

By Abhay Agarwal
Staff Writer

Lawrence Lessig, a distinguished copyright and intellectual property rights scholar and Stanford law professor, gave a talk titled "Remix: Making Art and Commerce Thrive in the Hybrid Economy," on Thursday, March 27 in Leanne Freas Trout Auditorium. He explained how 19th century laws are not compatible with 21st century technological advances.

"Copyright law regulates copies, but in digital technology

using is equivalent to copying. Why are we allowed to quote essays from Hemingway but not a George Lucas film?" he said.

Lessig argued that if copyright law was not modified to reflect this paradigm shift in the creation of new knowledge, then either everyone becomes a pirate or creativity stops.

Lessig remains hopeful that what he calls a "hybrid" culture—a collaborative read-write culture—will generate more leverage for change in law.

The hybrid culture is characterized by an increasing use of

images and sounds rather than just words; this new form of speech takes over the culture of "just writing," which is now only a means of expression for the intellectuals, just as Latin was spoken by a select few circles in society.

The lecture was followed by a question and answer session with the audience. One attendee asked Lessig about his views on issues such as peer-to-peer (P2P) sharing and the rights of a creator. Lessig believes that

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Provost forums encourage participation from campus

By Bethany Lavins
Staff Writer

The Provost Search Committee brought finalists for the Provost position to campus in March and early April.

The campus was invited to attend the open forums on each visit to help evaluate the candidates.

Candidates Mick Smyer, Veronica Makowsky and Mark Gromko each visited the campus in two-day intervals, attending open forums on the second day of each visit.

The University's Provost Position Statement claims the University is seeking a Provost who will, "enthusiastically and energetically guide the University's efforts in achieving a new level of academic excellence."

Through the forums, the search committee hoped to include the campus in the process of choosing a candidate whose creativity and experience would help the University realize its goal of "providing one of the nation's finest undergraduate

experiences," Maria Antonaccio, associate professor of religion and committee chair, said.

Each forum allowed the candidates 10 minutes to make opening remarks concerning their qualifications for the job and what they would bring to

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The remaining time was devoted to an audience inquiry, where students, faculty and staff raised concerns and questioned the candidates on issues pertaining to the University and how he or she would function if hired.

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result in a candidate who represented the ideals and needs of all members of the campus.

The committee sought to incorporate the student body, along with the rest of campus, in the search.

The committee "regards the student body as integral to the search process," Antonaccio said.

Bill McLean '08 has served as a student representative on the search committee alongside Dean of Students Susan Hopp.

A representative group of students was also invited by the search committee, with Bucknell Student Government (BSG) input, to meet with each of the provost candidates.

The campus was encouraged to complete online feedback forms after each forum and review information on the process under the myBucknell spotlight.

The search committee hopes to use these evaluations with feedback from other campus

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Preview of this week-end's Third Eye Blind concert, plus an interview with lead singer Stephan Jenkins.

Women's lacrosse beats ranked opponent for the first time ever.

The Essentials gives advice on how to find and design your first apartment.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

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Candidates for Provost define their differences

Provost hopefuls share their plans for the University

By Bethany Lavins
Staff Writer

Three candidates were brought to campus as part of the Provost Search Committee's effort to fill the spot vacated by Mary A. DeCredico earlier in the academic year.

The first candidate, Dr. Mick Smyer, visited campus on March 17 and 18. During his 10-minute presentation, Smyer focused on "Who I am, where I come from and where we [the University] are going."

He said the experience he gained as the Dean at Boston College, and his administrative role at Penn, where he also taught in the psychology department, have made him well suited for the role of provost.

"I'm interested in a place that makes a difference and a position that makes a difference," Smyer said. He believes that

the provost can make changes by providing the provisions for success but only if they gain a comprehensive view of the campus community.

He also said in the questions and answer session that alongside fundraising, he sees acting as the chief advocate for the academic vision of the University as a primary role.

On March 25 Dr. Veronica Makowsky visited the University. She opened her speech describing what her resume did not tell about her qualifications for the position.

She claimed her immigrant family background gave her a "double perspective," as both an insider and an outsider that, alongside her leadership and academic experience, uniquely positions her for the job of provost.

She said that the job at the University would be both challenging and rewarding, and she is excited to join with the ambitions and projects on campus to further the University's position as a "higher education" institution.

The University's small school inti-

macy, coupled with its emphasis on undergraduate education, was attractive to her.

Makowsky emphasized the importance of diversity in an undergraduate education. She believes a language requirement "in today's world is extremely important," and that students should be offered a myriad of languages other than the traditional French, German and Spanish.

She is also an advocate of learning outside the classroom. Because of the University's residential nature, she felt that the potential for such learning could be exploited even further.

Quoting Emerson, "Only so much do I know as I have lived," she emphasized individual, out-of-the-classroom experiences such as study abroad, research and service.

The third candidate, who came to campus on March 31, was Dr. Mark Gromko. He began with a PowerPoint presentation, which he hoped would shed light on his involvement with various projects and show his thought process and inter-

ests.

He said that his desire was "to work at a university that is interested in producing citizens committed to making a difference in the world," and to bring together the spheres of student and academic affairs.

During the question and answer session, Gromko focused on diversity. He said he would be a vocal advocate on campus for increasing student and faculty ethnic, sexual, cultural and racial diversity.

"One of the best ways to get that diversity," he said, "is to get people of diverse backgrounds."

Gromko shares similar views with the other job candidates. As provost, he would like to "create an environment where people can try ideas," involving multiple groups in the decision-making process.

He felt that although changes and improvements can be made, the University should "capitalize on the good practices already in place" and celebrate the achievements of faculty and staff.

Provost sought

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constituencies to assist in presenting "a summary of the finalists' strengths and weaknesses to President Mitchell for a final decision," Antonaccio said.

Professor Emeritus of English Michael Payne, who attended all three forums, felt that the search was very accessible to the campus.

"The chairmen have been doing a good job of keeping campus informed about the process," he said.

"The search committee has worked closely with the administration to ensure that the search is conducted in a thorough and professional manner," Antonaccio said.

While the search committee's primary goal is to gauge the views of the faculty, students and staff in order to accurately report back to the president, some feel that the process still lacks in its ability to represent the campus viewpoint.

"I'm not sure how much more one might realistically expect," Erik Lofgren, assistant professor of East Asian studies, said. "The process seems to have been run carefully."

The Search Committee will conduct a final review of all the evaluations and hopes to present the president with a report summary early next week.

Campaign speech packs Weis Center

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to listen to the upcoming debates to make a more circum-spect appraisal of their views.

After urging the audience to "please call me Chelsea," she began taking questions from the crowd. Queries on Hillary Clinton's campaign covered issues of support for Americans with disabilities, health care and jobs and the country's current financial crisis.

Chelsea Clinton answered each question emphasizing her mother's experience and record in striving for change and justice in America. She sometimes added in her own perspective and experiences.

She jokingly criticized the inability of the Republican Party to concede that evolution is not a theory and acknowledge problems with universal healthcare and global warming. "As a Democrat, I wish the Republicans would just say 'you're right,'" she said.

Praising her mother's capacity to work across party lines, Chelsea Clinton emphasized the former First Lady's ability to share common ground, and at the same time, stand her ground on the issues that are important to her. "That's the kind of leader I want," Chelsea Clinton said.

She also claimed that there is a lot of work to be done to rebuild America after the George W. Bush administration's failings.

"Unfortunately, there is a lot

we have to do to get out of our current crisis," Chelsea Clinton said.

She added that as president, her mother would bring about an immediate end to the No Child Left Behind Act, work to eliminate unequal pay in the workplace and bring about universal healthcare.

The former first daughter provided in-depth descriptions of how her mother would change America, including plans to revitalize the job market and her vision of making college more accessible and affordable.

When asked a question concerning her mother's stance on civil unions, Chelsea Clinton was not afraid to admit that she disagreed with her mother on the issue. Although she refused to respond, she directed the questioner to www.HillaryClinton.com. "Do you agree with your parents on everything?" she jokingly added.

Chelsea Clinton closed her talk with the hope that she had been able to provide the audience with a more informed view of her mother's campaign. She encouraged everyone to vote in the Pennsylvania primaries on April 22.

Many left the event inspired by her speaking abilities. Lewisburg resident Ronda Shawalei was impressed by the speech.

"I thought it was excellent," she said. "I was really impressed; she really had her statistics in order."



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
The crowd asks Chelsea Clinton questions about her mother's campaign. She was on campus yesterday.

Scholar speaks on fair uses for new technology

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copyright law needs to be modified, but cannot be done away with completely. He also recommends that the market should determine the needs of the creators and consumers.

Lessig is famous for his style of presentation called the "Lessig Method," where most of his slides contain a single word, short quote or an image. His talk was synchronized with a presentation that contained hundreds of slides, most on view for only a few seconds.

"Professor Lessig's talk touched on a lot pertinent topics for students about our culture today. In reality, today's students are media producers—they're blogging, IMing, ripping and mixing MP3s and mashing up digital video. Professor Lessig's work reconciles how these new media practices clash with copyright law and what can be done

to transcend the law's limits," Assistant Professor of English Eric Faden said.

"I especially relate to the concept of an open community building on one another's creativity. In my opinion, the greatest works of art—film, music, dance or otherwise—are created through collaboration and inspiration of all times and places," Jillian Harvey '09 said.

Students were impressed by the issues covered in the lecture because of their relevance to today's generation.

"I thought that Lessig's talk was one of the best and most interactive ones at the University this year," Billy Matthews '11 said. "Currently, large media conglomerates and everyday content creators are fighting a battle against each other in which everyone loses. A reorganization of copyright law would allow for them to work together and make better content available to all."

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News Briefs

BSG launches Facebook page

Bucknell Student Government's eCommunication division launched a new campaign this week in the form of a Facebook page.

The campaign was created in response to student questions surrounding how BSG actually works and what its main function is.

By visiting the page, students can view videos detailing current BSG initiatives and participate by posting responses. The ultimate goal of the page is to increase communication between BSG and the student body.

Vehicle accident reenactment on Sunday

Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV) is hosting a mock motor vehicle accident Sunday at 1 p.m. The reenactment will be held in Upper Smith Parking Lot behind Sojka Pavilion, and will include a scene of a drunk driving accident and its related consequences.

Students who attend and submit a one-page reflection to Dean Commerford will be eligible to have one disciplinary point forgiven.

Clinic destroyed in fire

A Sunday night fire destroyed the four-story Shamokin Dam Health Clinic, which serves thousands of local patients and employs over 10 people. The flame was rekindled Monday afternoon, causing the infrastructure to crumble.

The Daily Item reported the fire was originally caused by an electrical short. Employees of the clinic are unsure of the next steps of the clinic's recovery.

Colleges more selective

The New York Times reported elite colleges around the nation hit record lows on new student admissions. Harvard accepted 7.1 percent of applicants, and Yale accepted 8.3 percent. Other unprecedented lows were reported by Columbia, Brown, Dartmouth, Bowdoin and Georgetown.

Many elite colleges, such as Harvard and Princeton, have also eliminated their early admission program. This trend shows college admissions are increasingly competitive.

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OPINIONS

EDITORIAL

Police departments should take a hint from PS

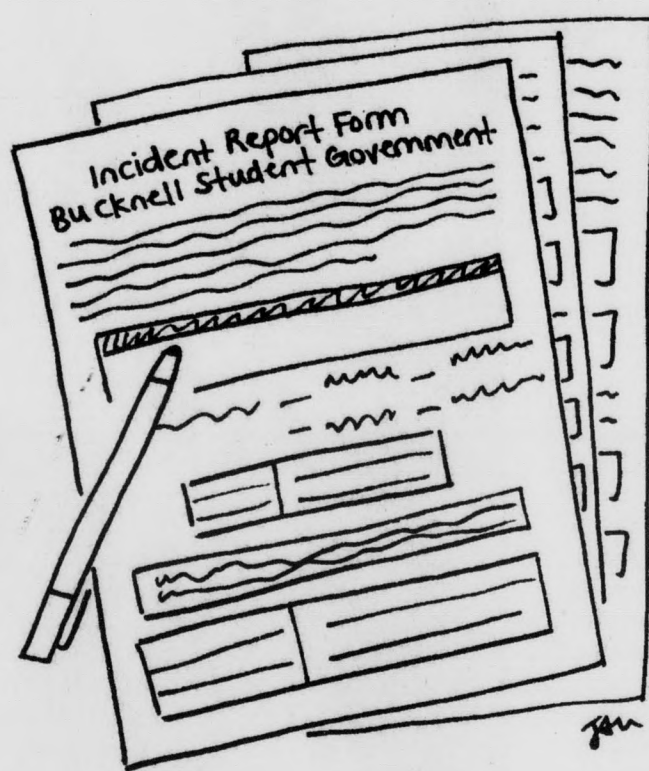
The recent introduction of the incident report forms by Bucknell Student Government, which allow students to file complaints about perceived abuses committed by police enforcement, brings underlying issues to the fore. The fact that BSG even created these forms indicates that there is a significant, recurring problem with student/police interactions that must be dealt with.

Chief Yost of the Lewisburg Police Department questions the reasoning behind the forms and believes that direct contact with him would solve any problems arising from student interactions with

the police force.

This is, however, a bit too idealistic. Presumably, most students that feel the police have mistreated them would not then expect to have a subsequent pleasant encounter in which their voices would be taken seriously. Students simply do not possess that type of relationship with the police departments surrounding campus.

While individuals on campus may have discussed issues with the local authorities, the only verbal contact that many students may have had with police departments has been disciplinary in nature, which does not exactly encourage



warm relations between the two groups.

In contrast, the relationship between students and Public Safety is stronger in recent years than in the past, in large part due to efforts by Chief Friedberg and Public Safety officers. The surrounding police departments should take a hint from Public Safety regarding the manner in which better student-police relations could be facilitated.

Of course, the police departments have other responsibilities in their jurisdictions, but creating a stronger relationship should be a priority.

Establishing a sense of mutual respect would create a better atmosphere for students, the police officers, as well as the residents of Lewisburg.

For example, many students know Public Safety officers by name—not because they were breaking a rule when they met, but because the officers participate in campus events such as Greek

Iron Chef and hold information sessions such as the one held before House Party.

Through such actions, the motives of Public Safety are made clear—they are not "out to get us," but are trying to do their jobs properly and in a manner that students will understand.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Forum Task Force thanks University for its support

To the campus community,

We would like to express our appreciation for the enthusiastic participation of students, faculty and staff in this academic year's events in "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen and Politics in America." Events were regularly filled to capacity, interesting questions were posed at every event and a lively dialogue about the views of the forum speakers seems to have spilled over into campus discussion.

We extend our special thanks to staff in those offices whose work is so vital to the forum's activities: Administrative Services, Bucknell Dining, Communications, Learning Spaces, Public Safety, Reservation Information and Conference Services, and the Weis Center.

The response from alumni and parents who have tuned in to the recordings of Bucknell Forum events presented via myBucknell has also been notable, and is another indication of how intimately connected the Bucknell community is.

The seven Bucknell Forum events this year have certainly had their memorable and surprising moments.

There was the intense but civil sparring during the religion panel between Richard Land of the Southern Baptist Convention and the Reverend Barry Lynn of the Americans United for the Separation of Church and State over the role of candidates' faiths in American politics. There was investor guru Jim Cramer advocating government regulation, best-selling author Barbara Ehrenreich surprising us all by endorsing a candidate, and six of the finest presidential correspondents in the country debating their moral responsibilities as reporters during an historic campaign.

Assembling a speaker series is an interesting task, as many of our colleagues across campus know. In our case, in a forum focused on the hot topic of "The Citizen and Politics," we feel obligated to build a series in which the speakers ultimately represent diverse ideas, areas of expertise, political leanings, ethnicities and more.

But then we watch with anticipation with everyone else as the speaker expresses his or her own views. Since the forum stretches through several semesters, and the subject is so rich, we are pursuing this balance across the entire series, not in any one semester or event, though we enjoy capitalizing on the space the panels provide to hear multiple perspectives simultaneously.

Have we achieved this balance so far? We probably never will, but it won't be for lack of trying. As the forum moves to its next phase, we will continue aiming for this balance, knowing that more surprises undoubtedly await.

In the end, the best you can hope for with any speaking event is that the audience thinks the engagement with the speaker's ideas is worth their time, and that the ideas were substantive enough to be thoughtfully accepted, rejected or even further discussed.

The involvement of students, faculty, and staff—and local community members—in the numerous events that bring speakers to campus is a constant reminder of how lively a campus discourse Bucknell enjoys.

With so much going on at the University, we are grateful for the support you have given the Bucknell Forum. We are already looking forward to next fall's forum events.

With appreciation,
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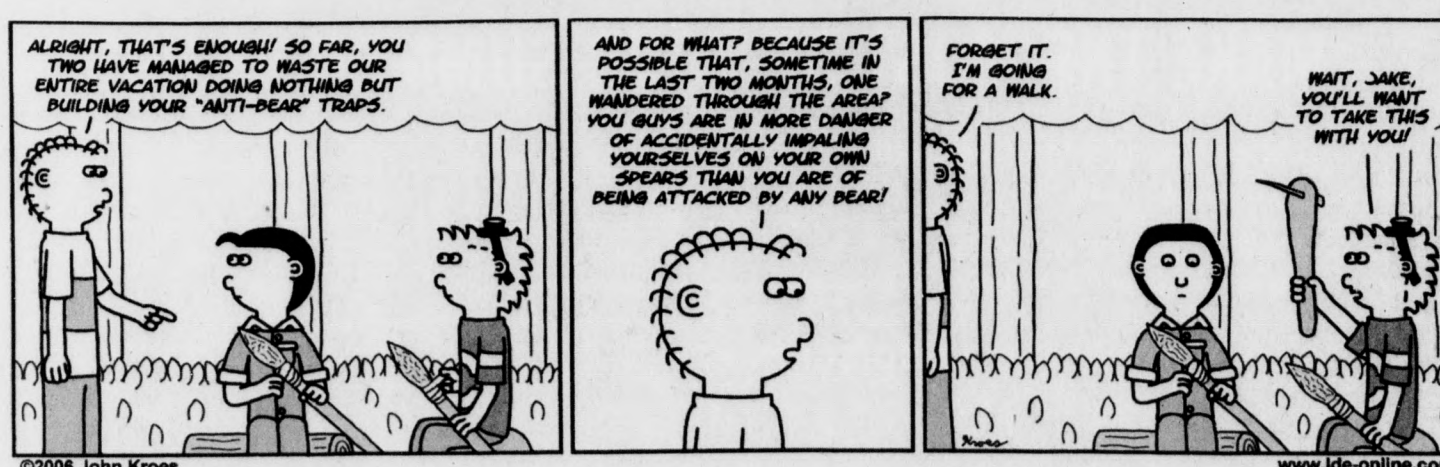
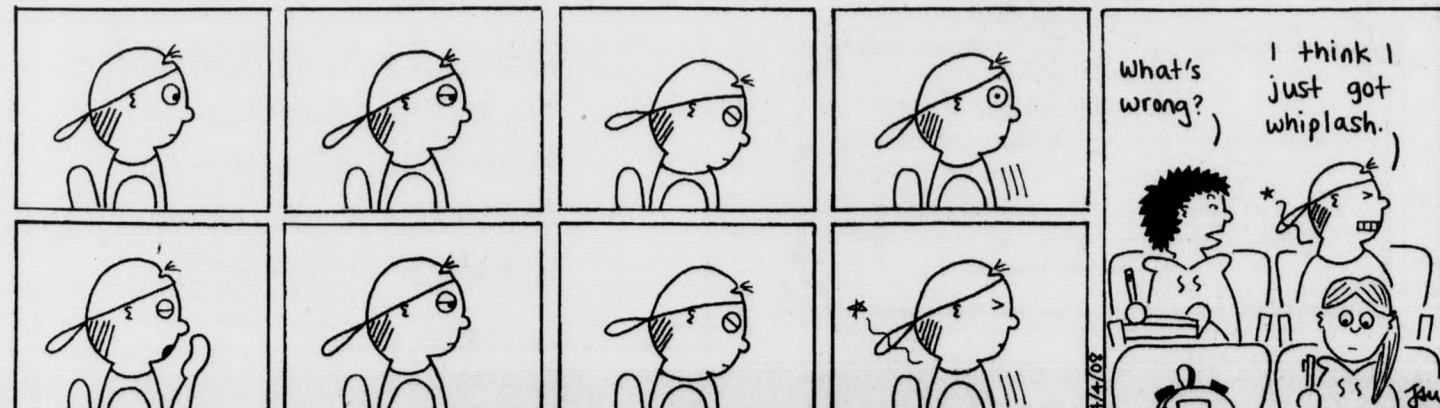
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On violence in Colombia

By Cate Russell
Contributing Writer

On March 6, Colombia's National Movement of Victims of State Crimes expressed solidarity with the victims of Colombia's paramilitary and state-sponsored violence. Hundreds of thousands participated in events in 102 cities across the globe.

In contrast to the Uribe administration's avid support for the recent No más FARC demonstrations, President Alvaro Uribe criticized the March 6 demonstrations, declining to support them. One of his advisors went so far as to claim the marches were organized by the FARC, a powerful Colombian guerrilla organization. Unsurprisingly, honoring the victims of paramilitary and state-sponsored violence is not something the Colombian government is willing to do.

Janelle Nodhurf, a recent University alumna, was involved in organizing a vigil held in Washington, D.C. She recently traveled to Colombia with a group of graduate students hosted by Witness for Peace. While in Colombia, she met with peasants, union leaders and human rights activists. Speaking about the demonstration, she said that "recognizing the victims of violence in Colombia is a politicized act."

Reflecting that reality, the Bush administration has ignored the marches, remaining determined to support the government led by Alvaro Uribe. President Bush recently said, "The region is facing an increasingly stark choice: to quietly accept the vision of the terrorists and the demagogues or to actively support democratic leaders like President Uribe."

The Colombian army is exhibiting an increasing tendency to murder poor farmers in order to pass them off as guerrillas killed in combat.

sassinated for taking part in organizing the March 6 demonstrations. Many more have received death threats. In fact assassinations and death threats are so common for Colombian union leaders and human rights activists that Peace Brigades International, an organization providing civilian body guards for threatened human rights activists, is in high demand.

The Colombian army is exhibiting an increasing tendency to murder poor farmers in order to pass them off as guerrillas killed in combat. This is believed to be the result of pressure to register combat kills.

One former army sergeant said that his unit would "kill peasant farmers, dress them up in combat fatigues and call in local newspaper reporters to write about the supposed combat that had taken place." He went on to say soldiers participated because the army

gave them incentives, including extra pay and days off, for accumulating kills in combat.

These revelations have raised some concern in Congress. In particular Senator Patrick J. Leahy (Vt.) noted "we've had six years, \$5 billion in U.S. aid. More than half of it has gone to the Colombian military, and we find the army is killing more civilians not less."

Multinational corporations have also been implicated in the web of violence. Nodhurf recently met with a Colombian union leader from the Sindicato Nacional de Trabajadores de la Industria de Alimentos (SINALTRAINA) region.

For several years now, he and his fellow union leaders have been putting together a remarkable document. It is a meticulous record of specific human rights abuses, including dates, victims' names and the crime, mainly assassinations connected with Nestle, Coca-Cola and Chiquita Brands.

The document also accuses additional multinationals for the destruction of biodiversity, for mercenary activity and for a massacre committed by the Occidental Petroleum Corporation. Included in the list of the massacred are children.

The document has yet to be translated, but if verified, the results will be damning for several major multinational corporations. According to many human rights activists and labor organizers, these corporations often pay paramilitary groups to carry out assassinations.

In fact in April of 2007, Chiquita Brands International was convicted for payments of over \$1.7 million to a Colombian terrorist paramilitary group.

The pollution crisis in China

By Hallie Stebbins
News Editor

Beijing, China: Abandon your culturally-ingrained urge to stay in bed until the sun has fully risen and you'll see streets littered with Chinese faithfully engaging in early-morning exercises. They could almost be New Yorkers, transported from the automobile-free, exercise-friendly roads of Central Park, except for one thing—they don surgical masks. A quick look at the skies of Beijing will tell you why. In fact, you will probably instinctively try to determine whether the skies can even be considered blue—a process which is undertaken each day, albeit a bit more scientifically, by city officials across Beijing.

Beijing's pollution crisis is no stranger to international discourse, especially recently, as concerns surrounding the 2008 Olympic Games arise. Many countries are asking, "How will my athletes be affected?" The key word is "my." Within the United States, especially, there exists an unfortunate tendency to focus only on those issues that affect it directly, and with undeniable immediacy. Accordingly, as the summer of 2008 looms ahead, discussion of Beijing's pollution problem has started to become more heated.

Unfortunately, the problem is not limited to Beijing or the Olympics. Over the past decade, China has far surpassed projections of its national increases in carbon dioxide emissions, which scientists and the United Nations link directly to global warming. In fact, according to numerous reports, China has already replaced the United States as the leading emitter of carbon dioxide.

The blame for the increase cannot be easily assigned. For a developing nation such as China, whose economic development is progressing at an unprecedented rate, increases in the emission of greenhouse gases are predictable. That does not mean, however, that the West should not explore cleaner energy solutions; in fact, industrialized nations should be at the head of such a search. They should not see China's newly assumed position as an emissions leader as an invitation to pass the blame onto the shoulders of developing nations.

The decade-long failure of the United States and China to ratify the Kyoto Protocol should have triggered an immediate and passionate search for a new solution rather than a hollow insistence by President Bush in his 2008 State of the Union address that the United States continues to be "committed to strengthening our energy security and confronting global climate change."

Although one of the largest contribu-

tors to global warming, the United States is resolutely refusing to lead by example as its politicians skirt around the issue of emission reduction.

The issue takes a backseat in the media to issues such as the war in Iraq, the personal-life-focused campaigns of the 2008 presidential race and, of course, the 2008 Olympic Games.

Ironically, not only does the issue of global warming contain an immediacy that is not proportionately recognized, increased focus upon it would in turn have a definite effect on those issues that are considered to be at the forefront of national discourse.

Suggested solutions to this issue are countless and diverse. One step that should be taken immediately is the imposition of a mandatory cap on fuel emissions in both the United States and China. Even if a more permanent solution cannot be found right away, this issue commands attention in the form of increased international communication. As members of an industrialized nation, we cannot continue to pretend that China's problems are not our problems.

We need firm leadership within the U.S. government that is willing and able to communicate effectively with the international community, in order to truly take a definite step in the battle against global warming.

From celebrities to human rights activists, the 2008 Beijing Olympics are becoming more than just a game

By Kelsey Mills
Contributing Writer

As most of us know, the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics begin in a few months. Whether you are a fellow athlete or an admirer, these games may mean different things to you.

Throughout the world, however, these Olympic Games signify not only athleticism, but also an ongoing political debate over China's involvement in world affairs.

Several groups of people have used the upcoming Olympics as a platform to attract attention to China's repression and disregard for human rights.

In Tibet, police crackdowns accompany ongoing riots by ethnic Tibetans fighting for a free Tibet. Fallout from the riots have reached Beijing and other major Chinese cities, where Tibetan students at universities held candlelight vigils for victims of police intervention. Aides of the Dalai Lama, Tibet's spiritual leader, place the count of Tibetans killed near 100.

Tibetans, an ethnic minority, know that "the best time for protests is when the world is watch-

ing," according to an article entitled "The Next Saffron Revolution" in the March 31 issue of Newsweek.

Beijing plans to send the Olympic torch to the top of Mount Everest and then through Lhasa, Tibet's capital, and officials insist this event will continue as planned.

With all of the media coverage the torch will attract, Tibetans know that if they can hold their position until the torch gets close, China will either strike a quick deal with them or watch the grandeur of their torch relay fall to media exposure of a bloodied battleground.

In addition, many activists across the west have taken up the cause of Darfur, Sudan, where the genocide that has so far killed 400,000 and displaced over 2 billion continues.

This is relevant to the Beijing Olympics because China is tied to Darfur, mainly through its vested interests in Sudanese oil. China protects Sudan on the U.N. Security Council and continues to supply the government with arms, which have been used directly against the Darfuris.

Organizations such as the Genocide Intervention Network, The Save Darfur Coalition, STAND (A Student Anti-Genocide Coalition) and Dream for Darfur have all spoken out against China and the Sudanese government. These groups have, among other things, organized their own Olympic torch run throughout several major U.S. cities in order to raise awareness about the China-Sudan connection.

China has been feeling the pressure of these protests; recently, New York Times contributor Nicholas Kristof wrote an article about reports of

information technology attacks on the Web sites of several of these organizations. These attacks utilized sophisticated hacker technology and appeared to originate in China.

Additionally, celebrities have spoken out for Darfur. Mia Farrow has branded the 2008 Olympics "the genocide olympics," and director Steven Spielberg walked away from his work on the opening ceremonies because he believed China

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was not exercising its authority over the Sudanese government to stop the violence.

Other instances have threatened the 2008 Olympic Games. The world-record holder in the marathon, Haile Gebrselassie, decided against participating in that event, citing Beijing's air quality as detrimental to his health.

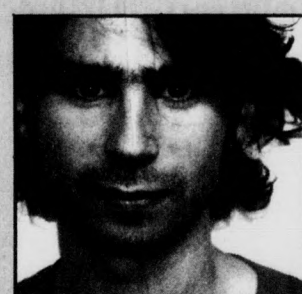
Reports have also surfaced in China about a foiled terrorism plot directed at the Games by the most radical group of China's Turkic Muslim Uighur minority.

Little evidence of the plot or government actions were provided; many groups within this ethnic minority have been fighting for years, and "Beijing's claims draw suspicion because of the regime's record of repressive policies," accord-

My Favorite Mistake

Tomato Jelly

By Michael Dippery
Senior Writer



My friend Noah is a cook in a restaurant. A nice restaurant too, not a low-brow "cheap" restaurant. (I say that with the utmost affection—"low-brow cheap" restaurants are my favorite places to eat. I understand French fries much better than I understand "hors d'oeuvres.") This restaurant, like many eating establishments, currently offers ketchup as a condiment (they probably refer to it as "catsup," but I haven't confirmed this fact). The managers have decided ketchup isn't fancy enough for such an upscale joint, so they have tasked Noah with finding a recipe for a "tomato jelly" they can use instead.

Stop. Since when can tomatoes be used in a jelly?

I consider myself a jelly and jam connoisseur. Believe it or not, I've been consuming jams and jellies since the tender age of 3 or so when I first got my hands on a peanut butter-and-jelly sandwich. Since then, I've developed a keen taste for jams and jellies, including the identification of fruits resulting in good jellies, and fruits resulting in jellies of lesser quality.

If you must know, I have a strong affinity for grape, strawberry and raspberry jellies.

While I enjoy almost any jam or jelly, I'm of the strong opinion I should be able to put any "real" jelly in a good old-fashioned peanut butter-and-jelly sandwich and still have a tasty meal. If the jelly I use in my PB&J makes me want to spit out the sandwich, I immediately reject that perversion of a classic, sweet, delectable snack food.

I have not yet tried tomato jelly, but I have a feeling I

would want to hurl a peanut butter-and-tomato jelly sandwich as far away from me as possible.

Admittedly, this may be due to my disdain for tomatoes. I loathe tomatoes with a passion. However, I do like tomato by-products like ketchup (a fact that once caused a minor disturbance at Sonic), so my dislike of tomatoes does not completely account for my suspected distaste for tomato jelly.

The root cause of my fear might actually be hot pepper.

Yes, some sick, twisted individuals also make jelly from hot peppers. Now, I like hot peppers, and I like jelly, but I most certainly do not like hot pepper jelly.

My dad once got a jar of hot pepper jelly from a coworker. I was home on break and wanted a nice sandwich. At a quick glance, hot pepper jelly looks much like strawberry jam, so I grabbed the jar of red jelly. Luckily I noticed my mistake before I ate my sandwich, but the near catastrophe has lingered in my mind ever since. Needless to say, I still double-check any jar of jam before spreading it on bread.

I've learned from my mistake, though. I don't care how fancy a restaurant is, or if I'll look like uncultured swine—I still plan on abstaining from tomato jelly and only eating ketchup with my French fries, thank you very much.

Recycle this paper

Eye on China: Tibet, Darfur and other concerns

From celebrities to human rights activists, the 2008 Beijing Olympics are becoming more than just a game

By Kelsey Mills
Contributing Writer

As most of us know, the 2008 Beijing Summer Olympics begin in a few months. Whether you are a fellow athlete or an admirer, these games may mean different things to you.

Throughout the world, however, these Olympic Games signify not only athleticism, but also an ongoing political debate over China's involvement in world affairs.

Several groups of people have used the upcoming Olympics as a platform to attract attention to China's repression and disregard for human rights.

In Tibet, police crackdowns accompany ongoing riots by ethnic Tibetans fighting for a free Tibet. Fallout from the riots have reached Beijing and other major Chinese cities, where Tibetan students at universities held candlelight vigils for victims of police intervention. Aides of the Dalai Lama, Tibet's spiritual leader, place the count of Tibetans killed near 100.

Tibetans, an ethnic minority, know that "the best time for protests is when the world is watch-

ing," according to an article entitled "The Next Saffron Revolution" in the March 31 issue of Newsweek.

Beijing plans to send the Olympic torch to the top of Mount Everest and then through Lhasa, Tibet's capital, and officials insist this event will continue as planned.

With all of the media coverage the torch will attract, Tibetans know that if they can hold their position until the torch gets close, China will either strike a quick deal with them or watch the grandeur of their torch relay fall to media exposure of a bloodied battleground.

In addition, many activists across the west have taken up the cause of Darfur, Sudan, where the genocide that has so far killed 400,000 and displaced over 2 billion continues.

This is relevant to the Beijing Olympics because China is tied to Darfur, mainly through its vested interests in Sudanese oil. China protects Sudan on the U.N. Security Council and continues to supply the government with arms, which have been used directly against the Darfuris.

Organizations such as the Genocide Intervention Network, The Save Darfur Coalition, STAND (A Student Anti-Genocide Coalition) and Dream for Darfur have all spoken out against China and the Sudanese government. These groups have, among other things, organized their own Olympic torch run throughout several major U.S. cities in order to raise awareness about the China-Sudan connection.

China has been feeling the pressure of these protests; recently, New York Times contributor Nicholas Kristof wrote an article about reports of

information technology attacks on the Web sites of several of these organizations. These attacks utilized sophisticated hacker technology and appeared to originate in China.

Additionally, celebrities have spoken out for Darfur. Mia Farrow has branded the 2008 Olympics "the genocide olympics," and director Steven Spielberg walked away from his work on the opening ceremonies because he believed China

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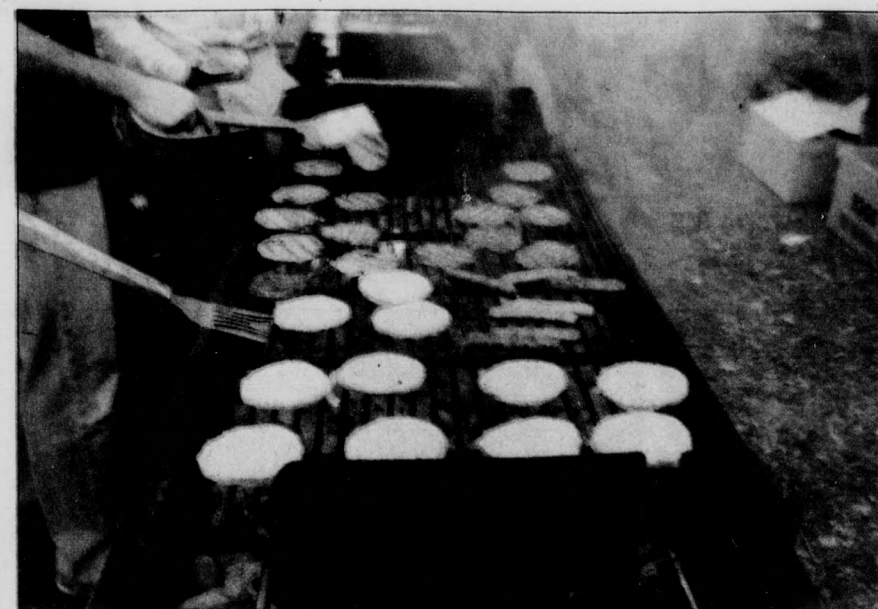
was not exercising its authority over the Sudanese government to stop the violence.

Other instances have threatened the 2008 Olympic Games. The world-record holder in the marathon, Haile Gebrselassie, decided against participating in that event, citing Beijing's air quality as detrimental to his health.

Reports have also surfaced in China about a foiled terrorism plot directed at the Games by the most radical group of China's Turkic Muslim Uighur minority.

Little evidence of the plot or government actions were provided; many groups within this ethnic minority have been fighting for years, and "Beijing's claims draw suspicion because of the regime's record of repressive policies," accord-

Perhaps, activists have been making progress.



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Left: Ryo Sueda '09, Chrissy Reilly '10, Hiro Maeda '09, Connie Low '08, Jason Mehr '09, Mike Krupczak '10, Alison Schaffer '08, Summer Rozzi '08. Above: The Delta Upsilon men make burgers, veggie burgers, hot dogs and more.

HOUSE PARTY WEEKEND 2008 NEVER TOO OLD TO PARTY



Justin Trawick and company perform Friday afternoon for Delta Upsilon's House Party kickoff barbeque. Trawick and his band played from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Students, guests, alumni enjoy music despite cold weather

By Annie Leister
Art & Entertainment Editor

One of the best parts of this year's House Party Weekend was the variety of musical entertainment available Friday and Saturday. Both student bands and bands from outside the University played all day and night. On Friday, Blind Chitlin Kahunas played at Chi Phi and, Justin Trawick played at Delta Upsilon. On Saturday, Judo Chop performed at Chi Phi, Rise Phoenix at Phi Psi, The Rock Bottom Blues Band at Sig Chi, and TriMo at Theta Chi.

In addition to music, most fraternities were serving all kinds of refreshments--from veggie burgers to hot dogs. Besides the University students enjoying themselves, many guests and alumni were also along for the ride.

The weather was certainly colder than last year but all involved still had a memorable House Party experience.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Above left: Bucknell graduate students and staff Juan Alberto Lopez Ruiz, Olga Ivanova, Linda Molinaro, Luisa Maria Garrido Baez, Sarah Duponchel and Janis Heindel sit in lawn chairs to relax and enjoy the sun and the band. Lower left: Theta Chi's barbeque drew long lines of people all day. Above right: Chris Imbriano '08, Nick Stabile '08, and Jason Maron '08 provide musical entertainment at Theta Chi.

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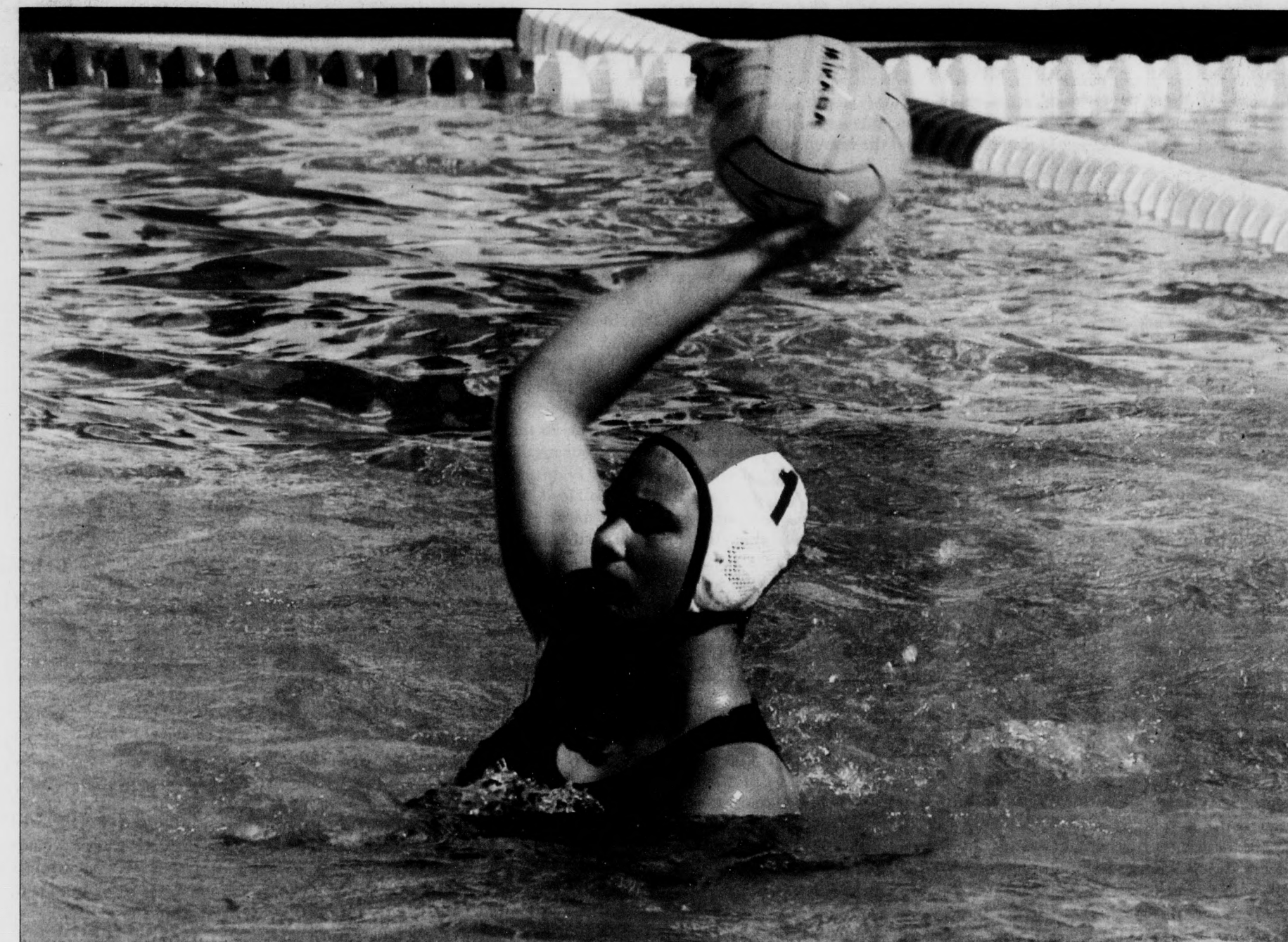
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Bison earn top 20 national ranking

Women's water polo team advance win streak to eight; upset No. 16 Princeton for first time ever



Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Alison Carter '10 has started 20 games this season as goalkeeper for the Bison. Carter boasts a .552 save percentage, registering 204 saves on the year.

By Ellis Hudes
Senior Writer

The women's water polo team won all four of its matches last weekend at Kinney Natatorium, including the program's first victory over No. 16 Princeton, 6-5. The victories earned the team a No. 20 spot in this week's National Collegiate Women's Top 20 poll. The Bison also stretched their winning streak to eight games and their overall record to 22-4.

One more win will break the program's records for both wins in a season and longest winning streak. Alison Carter '10 was named Collegiate Water Polo Association (CWPA) Southern

Division Player of the week for her outstanding play as goalie.

"Nothing can compare to the feeling of putting four more wins under our belt, especially with two of those games being at home and against our biggest rivals, Princeton and Maryland," Jennifer Swoyer '08 said.

The Orange and Blue's upset of Princeton to kick off their home stand. It was the team's second win over a ranked opponent this season. Down 5-3 in the fourth quarter, the Bison scored three goals in the final three minutes and 52 seconds to seal the victory.

The team is now 9-1 in Kinney Natatorium over the last two years.

The Bison routed George Washington 11-1 on Saturday. After a close first quarter, the Orange and Blue outscored the Colonials 3-0 in each of the last three frames. Rozas and Gins led the team in goals and assists, respectively.

Whitney Allen '11, Flavia McBride '11 and Aubrey Rowe '09 chipped in on the defensive end with three steals apiece while Carter and Rachel McGillis '09 each posted four saves.

In Saturday second game, the Orange and Blue defeated St. Francis 10-

8. The team had a brilliant 4-0 start and was able to hold off the Terriers in the fourth quarter to clinch the win. Cannonica contributed five points (one goal and four assists) and two steals and is eight shy of breaking the single-season assists record. Haley Prickett '11, McBride and Gins each tallied two goals while Rowe added three steals.

Most recently, the Orange and Blue rallied late to squeak past Maryland 7-6, wrapping up regular season play at Kinney Natatorium. Shana Palencia '10 scored with 0:57 left in overtime, securing victory

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Women's lacrosse upsets No. 22 Buckeyes

Kasschau's six goals lead Bison to program's first win over ranked opponent

By Kyle Barndollar
Sports Editor

The women's lacrosse team went 2-1 last week, winning two, one-goal contests that included the first win over a ranked opponent in program history. Six goals from Paige Kasschau '10 helped the Bison knock off the No. 22 Ohio State Buckeyes 18-17 in Columbus last Friday. The Orange and Blue also took down Robert Morris 15-14 on Sunday before falling to Drexel 16-12 on Tuesday.

Last season Ohio State trounced the Bison 17-4, and after 11 minutes in this year's contest it looked like the same might happen. The Buckeyes led 11-3 at the nine-minute mark of the first half and looked to be running away with the game, but the Bison would bounce back.

"Ohio State was the most incredible victory I have ever been a part of," Alison Heffernan '10 said, "Never in my life has a team rallied so hard and worked so selflessly together."

The Bison scored four of the next six goals to cut the halftime deficit to 13-7. Kasschau scored three times in the

first half, with Heffernan adding two more and Bonnie Buechel '09 and Sarah Collins '09 scoring a goal apiece.

The beginning of the second half belonged to the Bison, scoring five consecutive goals to cut the lead to one.

Kasschau opened the scoring in the half on an assist from Buechel. Two minutes later Carol Donohue '10 scored to make it 13-9.

Donohue would then assist Kasschau's fifth goal and proceed to score twice more to make the score 13-12 with 21:00 left.

The teams alternated scores for the next nine minutes until Collins tied it up at 15-15 with 10:49 remaining.

The final minutes saw the Buckeyes jump back out to a two goal 17-15 lead, but the undaunted Donohue assisted Heffernan's third goal of the game with 5:04 left. Just 0:33 later, Julia Braun '11 made it a tie score yet again, 17-17.

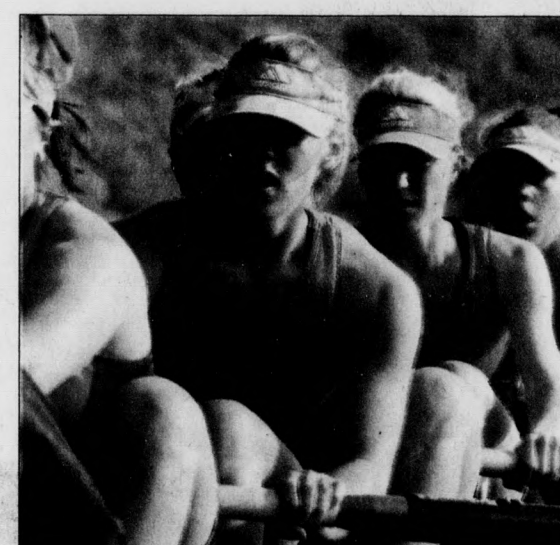
The winning goal came from Kasschau—her sixth of the game—with an assist by Heffernan. The Bison were able to hold off the Buckeyes for the final 3:04 to claim the 18-17 win.

"We set the pace in the second half and caught them on their heels," defender Katie Fox '10 said, "It was comforting to see how frustrated their team was getting after each goal we scored."

The Bison were outshot 34-29 by the Buckeyes, but 10 saves from goalkeeper Alyssa DeLorenz '11 and a strong effort from the defense kept the Orange and Blue in it.

The Bison returned home two days later to face Robert Morris. Led by Donohue, who scored seven points on

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Jennie Traves '08 stroked the varsity eight to a first place finish, beating Williams by over six seconds.

Rowing wins Murphy Cup

By Eric Weiss
Writer

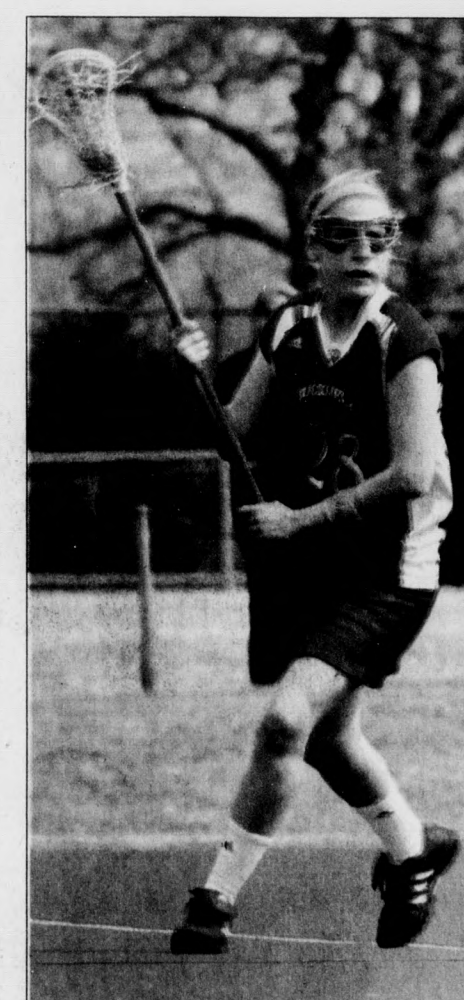
Making its biggest splash of the year, the women's rowing team was the overall champion at last weekend's Murphy Cup at the Schuylkill River in Philadelphia, Pa. Six boats went to the finals for the Orange and Blue with four winning first place trophies in a very competitive field.

"It was very exciting for the team to bring home the overall team trophy this past

weekend," Head Women's Rowing Coach Stephen Kish said. "Both varsity eights, the novice four, and the lightweight varsity four won both their heats and finals as well. Each victorious boat won by over two seconds in their respective finals, a dominating performance indeed."

"As for this past weekend, I was especially proud of the women sitting in the stroke seats of the varsity

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Paige Kasschau '10 scored eight goals last week, including six versus Ohio State.

First year profile: Eric Jarrett

By **Connie Barko**
Senior Writer

When the baseball team defeated Clarion on March 25, pitcher Eric Jarrett '11 led the team by throwing three shutout innings. Although only a first-year athlete, coaches and teammates have come to expect this kind of performance.

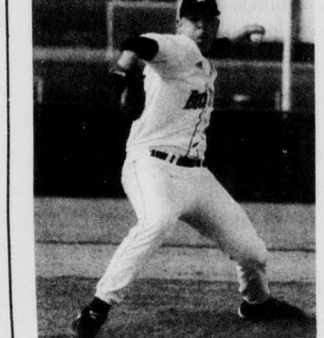
"Eric has been one of the most consistent pitchers on our staff, especially in the starter role," teammate Dylan Seeley '11 said. "He has very good control of all of his pitches and is extremely intense on the mound."

Jarrett began playing baseball on a team when he was five-years-old, but his experience with the game began even earlier. His dad was the first to introduce him to baseball and was his coach throughout his life.

"When I think about baseball, I think about my dad," Jarrett said. "He has always been there."

Jarrett's early start at the game helped him earn several achievements. As a junior at Jersey Shore Area High School, he had 110 strikeouts, and in his senior year he finished by striking out 82 batters in 54 innings. Jarrett was also runner-up for the Sun Gazette Pitcher of the Year in 2006 and was named Player of the Year in 2007.

Although he excelled at base-



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Eric Jarrett '11 sports a 3.12 ERA in 40.1 innings.

ball in high school, Jarrett also lettered in football and earned the league honorable mention recognition. He decided to pitch for the University instead of playing football.

"I was never that good at football," Jarrett said. "I always enjoyed baseball more."

Jarrett did not know where he stood compared to his peers on the team entering the season. High school baseball was more relaxed and less time-intensive than college baseball.

"I didn't realize I'd have such an opportunity so fast," Jarrett said. "I didn't expect [playing time], but I was hoping for it."

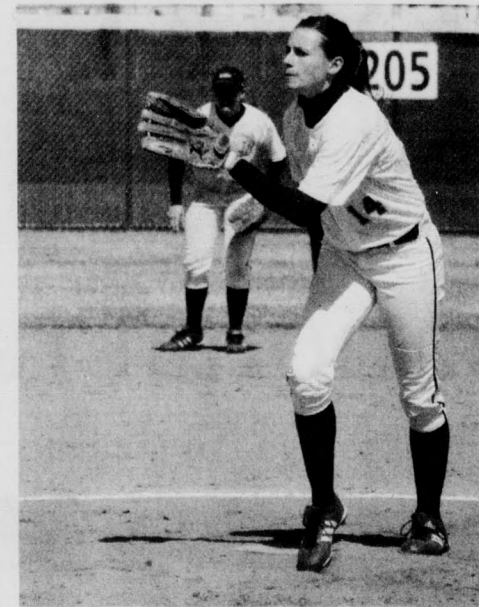
The experience that Jarrett received so early in the season has been valuable to him as he continues to improve on the mound.

Head Coach Gene Depew '71 said, "I expect him to be one of the main stays of our pitching staff. He will be in the weekend League starting rotation and will be a key to our Patriot League success."

What seems to have helped Jarrett in his performance is his attitude about the game. When asked what his personal goals were, he said to always win. His teammates have observed this kind of dedicated character and a willingness to learn from others. "He is not rah-rah like some players," teammate Jason Buursma '08 said. "Rather, he fuels the team with his obvious internal drive and focus during the game."

Off the mound Jarrett has other goals academically. Although he is currently undeclared, he has taken all of the courses required for first-year biology majors. Jarrett's ideal career is to become an optometrist.

Watch Jarrett and the rest of the Bison at Lafayette on April 5 and 6 at 12 p.m.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Christie Wiest '08 pitched her 13th complete game of the season against Lafayette.

By **John Mlodzinski**
Senior Writer

Over the weekend the softball team began Patriot League play by splitting both of its doubleheaders with Lafayette. The Bison were very competitive, as they outscored Lafayette 18-17 on the weekend.

"The weekend as a whole was a back and forth battle and we showed many signs of toughness," said Head Coach Heather Rakosik.

In the first game against Lafayette on Sunday, the Bison defeated the Leopards in dramatic fashion, 6-5. Facing defeat and down 5-0 in the top of the seventh, the Bison rallied and scored five runs in the inning. Erin Curatola '08, the eighth batter of the inning, tied the game with an RBI fielder's choice. Then in the top of the eighth, Kristin Frick '09 scored the winning run on an RBI single by Ashley

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Lafayette 5

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Bucknell 10
St. Francis (N.Y.) 8

over the Terrapins. The Bison trailed for most of the game, but a big fourth quarter was enough to force overtime.

Other notable performances include Valentina Rozas '10 with three goals and three steals and Carter with a career-high 14 saves. It was a fitting end for Meagan Gins '08 and Swoyer, both playing their last regular season game at Kinney Natatorium.

"At the beginning of the season we all meet and talk about our goals for the team and for ourselves. I think that for the most part, we have accomplished if not completely transcended the

Softball splits series with Lafayette and UMBC

Carlson '09.

Christie Wiest '08 pitched her 13th complete game of the season in picking up the win. She allowed five runs on 12 hits and two walks, while striking out four.

The second game of the twin bill was just as exciting, as both teams went back and forth in the late innings, with Lafayette pulling out the win in the bottom of the eighth. Both

offenses were unable to produce any runs through four innings of play. In the bottom of the fifth, Lafayette struck first. The Bison quickly responded with two runs in the top of the sixth, to take a 2-1 lead.

Over the next three half innings, each team posted one run. Heading into the bottom of the eighth, the score was tied at three. With two outs, Katie McDonald '09 surrendered a three-run home run allowing Lafayette to pick up the 6-3 win.

In the first game of the doubleheader against Lafayette on Saturday, Wiest pitched a five-hit complete game shutout, guiding the team to its first win in Patriot League play. She was able to get herself out of jams in the second, fourth and seventh without any damage.

After the Bison put up one run in the third, Cassie Lloyd '09 hit a one-run home run in the fourth. The Bison added two more runs in the fifth.

"Our pitching really came out strong, and our offense is getting those clutch hits with runners on that we have been looking for and needing all season," said Alison Ford '11.

In the second game of the day, despite go-

ing up 5-2 in the second inning, the Bison were unable to hold the lead and eventually fell to Lafayette, 6-5. The Bison offense started the game hot but then quickly cooled off. After banging out six hits in the first two innings, the team managed only two hits for the rest of the game.

Although the team went 2-2 on the weekend, the players are still proud of their efforts.

"It is great to come away from the series with a strong split, knowing that we were in every game until the very end," said Rakosik.

On March 26, the Bison traveled to Baltimore to play a doubleheader against UMBC. Behind home runs by Curatola and Lauren Fry '11, the Bison won the first game 5-3. Wiest went the distance for the Orange and Blue, giving up three runs on seven hits, while striking out two.

In the second game of the day, Bucknell struggled to get anything going, as they fell 5-1. The lone run for the team came in the seventh on an RBI single by Fry. McDonald surrendered five runs on seven hits and four walks.

For the second time this season, Fry was named Patriot League Player of the Week. She batted .286 and had seven RBIs. She is also in the midst of a six game hit streak.

The team travelled to St. Francis on April 3, for its last non-league road game of the season.

The Bison host Colgate for four games this weekend.

goals we have set for ourselves and each other," Swoyer said.

Fellow senior Gins agreed.

"It is extremely special that we were able to win all four games this weekend," she said. "Princeton and Bucknell have always been intense rivals so it was very exciting and rewarding to beat them for the first time in front of our home crowd. Our hard work and genuine respect for this team and each other is what is propelling us forward. Our chemistry in the water is a product of our love of the game, and as a result we've been successful this season."

The Bison travel to New Jersey this weekend to face Brown and for a rematch with Princeton.

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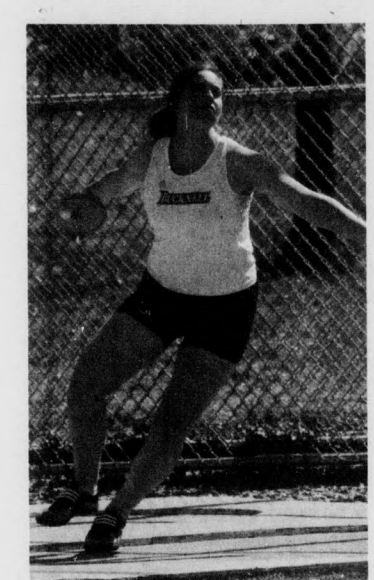
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Track and field
posts wins in
Maryland and
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Invitationals

By **Brian Mulligan**
Sports Editor

The men's and women's track and field teams opened the outdoor season split between the Maryland Invitational and Susquehanna Invitational. At the Maryland Invitational, the Bison battled rough weather and competed against teams from Penn, Navy and American. The men's team earned four first-place finishes and had three IC4A qualifying performances, while Amanda Mockbee '08 led the women's team by winning the discus in an ECAC



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Amanda Mockbee '08 earned first place in the discus throw at the Maryland Invitational.

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boats. This was their first big race in that seat and they each did an impressive job of leading their crews," Kish said.

The stroke seat is the seat closest to the stern of a racing shell. It is called stroke because its occupant is in charge of keeping a steady stroke rate. This is considered one of the more difficult positions.

The first varsity boat consisting of Jennie Traves '08, Sophie Bird '08, Katherine Brewster-Duffy '08, Page Kannon '09, Victoria Dudley '11, Carol Schoenecker '11, Caitlin Doolin '09 and Whitney Henry '09 dominated its heat winning by just under nine seconds. The women came back later that day to win the final in over six seconds, beating a very impressive Williams Crew. The first varsity eight is the backbone of the team and will be relied on for the rest of the season for big wins.

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four goals and three assists, the home team was able to hold off a late run by the Colonials to claim a 15-14 victory.

After falling behind 4-3 early on, the Bison went on an eight-goal run to close the first half with an 11-4 lead. Becca Devine '11 scored four goals over the course of the run that lasted over 16 minutes.

Robert Morris made it interesting when, trailing by five with five minutes remaining, the Colonials scored four times to cut the lead to one with 0:48 left.

Once again, though, the Bison were able to hold onto the late one-goal lead, and went on to win their third straight game 15-14.

"I think it says a lot about our team this year that we have the ability to hold a lead and come out on top," Lauren Deitrich '08 said.

A three-game winning streak for the Orange and Blue came to an end against Drexel on Tuesday, falling 16-12 in a game in which the Bison were outshot 41-26.

The Dragons netted nine of the final 10 goals of the first half to gain an 11-4 lead that they would not surrender.

The Bison were led by three goals from Heffernan and Donohue, but never got closer than a four-goal deficit.

The Orange and Blue are now 5-4 on the year. They host Colgate today in an important Patriot League contest.

provisional mark.

"I was very pleased with the performances at both meets," Head Coach Kevin Donner said. "The weather was very cold and windy—however most of our athletes did not use it as an excuse and they competed very well against the competition."

Kyle Anthony '10 qualified for the IC4A championship in the triple, winning the event with a mark of 47 feet and 7 inches. In the 400-meter dash, Kevin Macleod '09 crossed the finish line first in 53.87 seconds. Clinton Orloski '09 and Baron Willeford '10 went one-two in the 5,000-meter run. Orloski won the event in 15 minutes and 11.37 seconds, while Willeford finished a mere two seconds behind his teammate.

"Despite the terrible weather, I thought we came out rather well," Anthony said. "We had a good number of people place in the top five in their events, and that's always great to see."

The team of Kerry Boyle '09, Guy Castranova '11, Clement Gyan '10 and Macleod took the 4x400 relay title. Its time of 3:14.76 was the second-fastest time in Bison history and was good enough for an IC4A qualifying time. The duo of Andrew Yehl '10 and Ryan White '10 placed third and fifth respectively. Yehl clocked an IC4A qualifying time of 14.79, while White crossed the finish line in 15.97.

At Maryland, Mockbee notched a career best of 152-9 in the discus to the win the event and was the second-best mark in Bison history. Mock-

bee also placed fifth in the hammer throw and seventh in the shot put.

Chelsey Musante '10 took second place in the hammer throw with an ECAC provisional mark of 161-5. Her throw was also the 10th best in Bison history. Laura Rycek '11 qualified for the ECACs in the javelin with a throw of 136-10, placing third overall.

Rebecca Frey '11 also broke into the record books in the pole vault. Frey took second-place honors, clearing a height of 11-5 1/2 and entering the record books at tenth all-time. Amy Mantush '10 earned two top-10 finishes in the 100-meter hurdles and the long jump. Mantush took sixth in the 100-meter final in 15.28, while grabbing a fifth-place finish in long jump with a mark of 17-4 1/2.

At Susquehanna's Jim Taylor Invitational, first-year athletes led the way for the Bison. Matt Bender '11 won 400-meter dash in 52.24, while Eileen Foley '11 took first-place honors in the 5,000-meter run. In the triple jump, Casey Krause '11 cleared a distance of 34-10 1/2 to win the event. Krause also took second in the long jump in 17-1 1/2.

"I am confident that our team will be of the caliber we have been these past years, because we are all so driven to perform and win," Musante said.

The Orange and Blue will be sending a select group of athletes to the Auburn Invitational to gain exposure to top SEC athletes, while the rest of the team will travel to the Princeton Invitational this weekend.

"I can definitely feel our boat coming together and improving with each race we compete in," said Taylor Jordan '11, who strokes the second varsity eight. Her boat won its race by over six seconds—a dominating performance. The boat consisted of Jordan, Meghan Murphy '10, Olivia Knott '10, Ashley Gennings '11, Brittany Kaplan '08, Anna Johnson '11, Libby Regan '10 and Devon Mitchell '10. The boat has only one senior on it so the first-years and sophomores will be expected to compete at an extremely high level at future regattas.

The next race for the women is Saturday at home against Buffalo. Following that the women will travel to Virginia to face Dayton, Georgetown, GW and MIT the next day.

"We are definitely a work in progress and we are doing our best to keep our focus on what we are doing today, versus what we have done in the past or what we hope to do in the future," Kish said.

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Dominant defensive effort leads men's lacrosse past Holy Cross, 7-2

By **Wes Trowbridge**
Sports Editor

The Orange and Blue defense set the tone on Saturday as the men's lacrosse team defeated Holy Cross 7-2 at Hart Turf Field in Worcester, Mass. Goal-

keeper Nick Sciubba '09 recorded a season-high 15 saves in the victory.

The No. 15 Bison improved their record to 7-2 on the season and won their 19th consecutive game against Holy Cross (3-6). The Bison have never lost to the Crusaders.

"We were able to execute our game plan defensively by being physical with the ball carrier and pressuring the adjacent pass. (Sciubba) was exceptional in the goal and he was able to stifle any legitimate opportunity that Holy Cross had," Head Coach Frank Fedorjaka said.

Sciubba made 15 saves while allowing just two goals, earning Patriot League Goalkeeper of the Week honors. Sciubba's previous season high was 14 saves against Hobart. He allowed seven fewer goals on Saturday than in the Hobart contest.

Defenseman Billy Haire '09 also played an outstanding game, guarding Holy Cross's biggest offensive threat, attackman Edison Parzanese, for the entire game. Haire also recorded a team-high six ground balls.

"(Haire) played particularly well ... as he was guarding a very good player and held

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him to zero points during settled play Each time Holy Cross tried to feed the crease Evan Burns '08 and Tom Izard '09 were there to check the ball away or intercept the pass," Sciubba said.

The team also showcased its depth and balance as seven different players found the back of the net, including three non-starters and two first-years. Austin Winter '10, Mike Danylyshyn '11 and Chris Palmer '10 all scored a goal and had one assist.

Winter was named the Patriot League Offensive Player of the Week for this game as well as his nine points (three goals, six assists) against Towson earlier in the week. Winter is leading the Patriot League in assists per game (2.11) and is second in points (3.33).

Joe Mele '09, Doug Buckley '09, Tim Bran-



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Nick Sciubba '09 made 15 saves to hold Patriot League rival Holy Cross to just 2 goals.

dau '10 and Ryan Klipstein '11 also scored for the Bison. Brandau (18) and Mele (16) currently rank fourth and seventh respectively in the Patriot League in goals this season.

The lacrosse team's persistence was exemplified perfectly by Patrick Keeney '08, finishing the game despite a broken wrist sustained in a collision in the second quarter. Keeney recorded one ground ball.

"Nothing was stopping Keeney," Haire said.

Statistically the game was very even as the Bison outshot the Crusaders 30-28 but trailed in ground balls 25-21. The Orange and Blue won six of 13 face-offs and converted one of four extra-man opportunities while Holy Cross was successful on one of three.

"This was a big win for us because it puts us at 7-2 going into Army, which will be one of the biggest games of our season ... a win could keep our dreams alive of hosting the Patriot League Tournament and help us with our hope to reach the NCAA tournament with an at large bid," Mark Lane '08 said.

The Bison will return to Christy Matheson-Memorial Stadium on Friday to play No. 11 Army (7-2) at 7:00 p.m. A win will put the Orange and Blue in a second-place tie with Army, behind No. 9 Navy, in the Patriot League standings. A Navy loss to Army on April 12 would then

potentially make the Bison the host of the Patriot League Tournament later this month. Last year, the Bison defeated Army 6-5 at West Point.

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Baseball takes three of four from Army; falls to Penn State

By Kenny Black
Writer

The Orange and Blue opened Patriot League play this weekend and continued its recent strong play at Army, taking three of four games, including a sweep of Sunday's doubleheader. Game two saw Dylan Seeley '11 turn in an outstanding performance from the mound, going the distance in a 3-1 victory over the Black Knights, giving up five hits over nine innings while striking out one batter and walking three.

The Bison scored all three of their runs in the top of the seventh on RBI singles by Angelo and Jason Buursma '08 and an Army error. Army managed a run in the bottom of the ninth to ruin Seeley's potential shut-out.

In game one on Sunday, the Orange and Blue quickly fell behind 2-0 before battling around in the top of the second and playing five runs on four hits. John Avanzino '10 blasted his fourth home run of the series and eighth of the season, a two-

run job that tie the score at two. Ben Allen '10, Yoder and Dane Grandizio '09 each had RBI singles in the frame as well. Yoder collected two more RBIs in the top of the third with a single that scored Shawn Hirsch '08 and Ed Rubbo '08 making the score 7-3. The Bison tacked on another run in the seventh to make the score 8-5. That would be enough for

THIS JUST IN...

The Bison lost Wednesday 8-3 at Penn State to move their record to 13-11-2.

Doug Shribman '11 received the loss (0-1). Both Ben Yoder '10 and Mark Angelo '08 were 2-4 with a RBI.

The Orange and Blue as Jimmy Murphy '09 came on in relief in the sixth inning and earned the win (1-0), tossing four scoreless innings, giving up just two hits

and striking out three. On Saturday, Army rallied to win game two by the score of 9-8 in an extra-inning affair that saw the Bison squander a three-run lead in the bottom of the ninth and a two-run lead in the 13th inning.

The Bison tied the score at two in the top of the fourth on the strength of back-to-back homers by Buursma and Avanzino. For Buursma, it was his ninth home run of the year, one away from tying the career home run record for the Orange and Blue.

Avanzino doubled home two more runs in a three-run fifth before the Bison added an insurance run in the top of the ninth to make the score 6-3. After steady pitching through eight innings from Eric Jarrett '11, Dave Solan '08 took the mound with runners on first and second with no outs before giving up a three-run homer that tied the score at six.

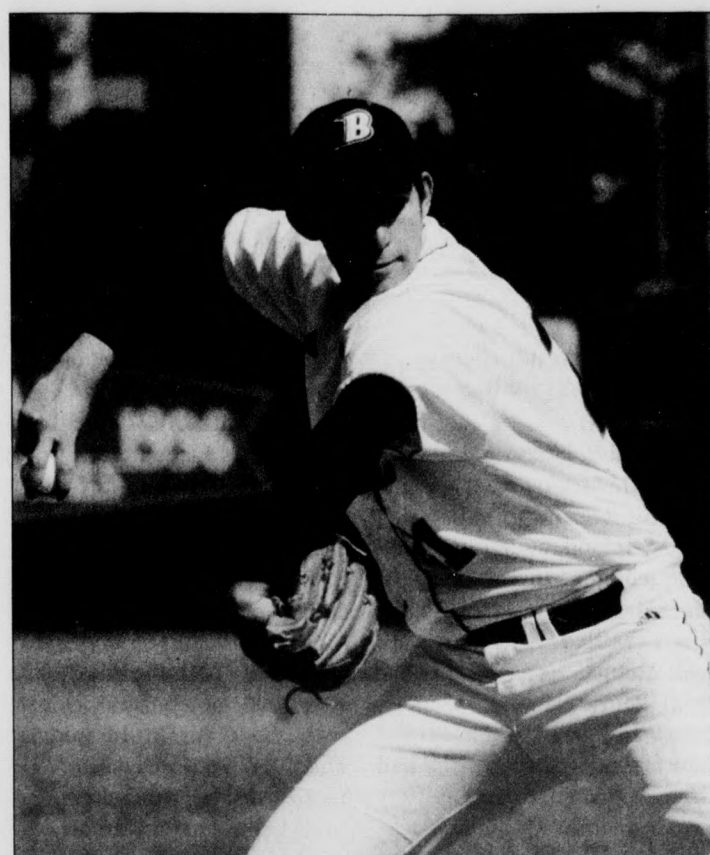
With the Bison holding two over Army in the bottom of the 13th and down to its last out

with no runners aboard, the Black Knights ripped off three runs to steal the victory. Andrew Clarke '10 received the loss (0-2), charged with three runs on four hits and allowed two walks.

In game one on Saturday, the Bison spotted the Black Knights four runs before the offense came to life in the fourth. Avanzino capped a seven-run outburst with a two-run home run, making the score 7-4 after four innings.

Avanzino wasn't done yet, launching his second homer of the game in the top of the sixth, another two-run shot that plated Angelo and put the Bison ahead 10-4. The Orange and Blue would go on to win by the score of 10-5. Buursma tossed a complete game for the Orange and Blue, moving his record to 4-0 on the season, with a career-high eight strikeouts and allowing two earned runs.

Avanzino, named Damon's Bison Athlete of the Week, said, "Senior leadership this year has definitely taken the team in the



Dylan Seeley '11 wields a 2.62 ERA with 2-0 record under his belt this season.

right direction with positive energy on and off the field. Dedicated preparation has provided me the opportunity to succeed and support from all my teammates has made the success that

much sweeter." Avanzino and the rest of the Bison look to duplicate its performance against Lafayette as Patriot League play continues this weekend.

Men's and women's tennis teams struggle; combine for 0-4 mark against UMBC, Navy, Villanova

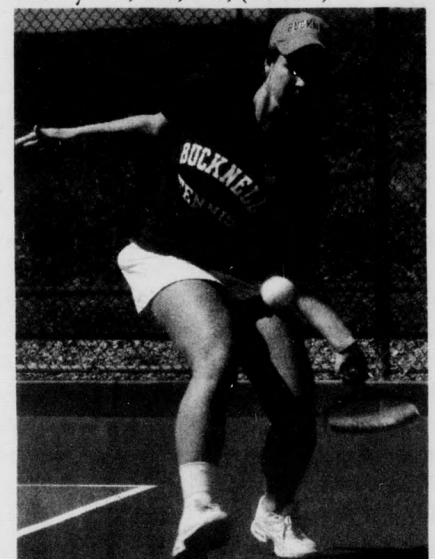
By Jordan Brodsky
Staff Writer

The University men's and women's tennis teams had a combined record of 0-4 this past week with the men going 0-3 and the women losing its only match of the week.

The men's team opened up its three-match week with a 4-3 loss to the Retrievers of UMBC Saturday. The loss ended a five-match winning streak for the Bison. The Orange and Blue picked up the doubles point as Ira Reibesen '08 and Ryan Sandburg '09 won at number one doubles while Mark Malloy '11 and Ben Young '08 won at the number three spot.

The Bison appeared to be on their way to a victory over a very good UMBC team, but unfortunately, both Jonathan Brenner '09 and Malloy were injured. Brenner was up 5-2 in the first set but hurt his elbow on set point and didn't win a game afterwards; he re-

tired after the first set in which he lost 7-5. Malloy cramped up at 4-1 in the second set after winning the first set; he too didn't win a game following the injury. Fernando Ferreira defeated Malloy 6-7, 6-4, 1-0, (default).



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Lauren Lucido '11 has won five straight doubles matches this year with teammate Tania Varela '10.

The men opened up its Patriot League season Sunday with a 4-1 loss to the preseason number one, Navy Midshipmen. The Midshipmen picked up the doubles point by sweeping the Bison in all three matches. Reibesen and Sandburg took their singles matches to three sets before falling. Zachary Hascoe '10 picked up the only win of the day for the Bison at the number three singles spot as he prevailed over Jason Hill in three sets. Of the four singles matches completed, three of the matches went to three sets while the number four singles match was decided by a second set tiebreak.

"Looking at the scores alone, our team was very close to winning those matches, and we could have won the match," Malloy said. "I feel that each player, whether they won or lost, took something from their opponent and will be prepared to face them if we meet again. Navy came into the match thinking they had an easy victory, and our players really worked them and

definitely scared them."

The men lost another close match, this time to the Villanova Wildcats, by a score of 4-3 last Wednesday. It was the same scenario as the match against UMBC. The team won the number one and three doubles matches. The Bison also won the number one and two singles matches but couldn't get a win in the last four singles matches.

The Villanova match was the first of several matches in a short time-span; however, Malloy doesn't believe fatigue will become a factor.

"Although we do have six matches in an 11 day span, all away, our team is prepared and motivated," he said. "This stretch is why we bust ourselves in the weight room and during our cardio exercises—to be prepared for a lot of matches in a short amount of time."

On the women's side, the Bison fell to UMBC Saturday 7-0. The lone win of the day came at number one

doubles for the Orange and Blue as Tania Varela '10 and Lauren Lucido '11 defeated Alice Chen and Cornelia Carapeca, 8-6. Playing at the number one singles spot, Varela was defeated by Ana Mungo 0-6, 6-2, 6-2. Paulina Gamboa '09 dropped her number two singles match against Chen 6-1, 6-0. Lucido was narrowly edged by Carapeca in three sets 3-6, 6-3 (12-10) at the number three spot. At number four singles, Carlin Calcatera '10 was defeated by Joy Adewumi 6-3, 6-3. Dara Dwojewski '11 lost to Emily Mannix 6-2, 6-0 at the number five spot. Rounding out the day in singles, Lauren Rottkamp '11 couldn't get by Barbara Couto as she fell 7-6 (9-2) 6-4 at the sixth spot.

The Orange and Blue were only able to play one match during the week as both the Lehigh and Villanova matches were cancelled due to rainy conditions.

The teams will host Colgate this Saturday and the women will make its contest with Lehigh on Monday.

SAYLOR from B1

2. In the Patriot League race to earn the President's Cup, the Bison have leaped to the top of the standings following the completion of the winter season. The Orange and Blue are trying to repeat what they accomplished last year, when they not only led in the overall standings, but were at the top for both men's and women's sports.

The Bison's boost came from championship seasons by the women's basketball and women's indoor track & field teams; runner-up finishes by the men's indoor track & field and men's swimming & diving teams; a third-place ranking for the women's swimming & diving team; and the advancement of the men's basketball team to the Patriot League Tournament semifinals.

3. The men's golf team was picked to finish first by the league's coaches and sports information directors in the 2008 Gold Championship Poll. The Orange and Blue, winner of the previous two titles, received 65 points, including eight first-place votes. Navy was picked to finish second with 63 points and four first-place votes, while Army and Lehigh each received a first-place vote.

4. For the Final Four of men's college basketball, I'm going to stick with the picks that I made at the beginning of the tournament (though I have some concerns...). Kansas will defeat North Carolina (we shall see if current Tar Heels—and former Jayhawks—Head Coach Roy Williams cries, win or lose, while UCLA will take down Memphis. The Bruins will then rock the Jayhawks on Monday night.

5. Yes, I really did pick all four of the No. 1 seeds to advance this far. I went through my bracket multiple times looking for more upsets, but just did not feel really comfortable with too many.

6. The women's NCAA Tournament saw all its one and two seeds advance to the Elite Eight. On Monday, a pair of No. 1 teams went down as North Carolina lost to LSU and Maryland, the 2006 national champion, lost to Stanford.

I do not understand how the Tar Heels can be a No. 1 seed, but have to play their regional final against Louisiana State in New Orleans. That is a tough break.

Also, I still remember ESPN showing both Stanford and Maryland's teams as it announced that Maryland received the final spot of the four top seeds. I thought this was pretty cruel, and I thought that the Cardinals should have received the pick over the Terrapins. This regional game took place in Washington, another advantage for a No. 2 seed over a No. 1.

7. On Tuesday, order was slightly restored as No. 1 Tennessee defeated No. 2 Texas A&M in a defensive struggle, while No. 1 Connecticut was victorious over No. 2 Rutgers. The Huskies' (36-1) only loss this season was at the hands of the Scarlet Knights.

8. New York Mets fans experienced excitement and agony before the team's first two games were even completed. Off-season acquisition Johan Santana was stellar in his opening-day start, but the oft-injured Pedro Martinez lasted only 57 pitches for the Mets in game two before leaving with a hamstring injury. On Wednesday, the Mets placed Martinez on the 15-day disabled list, where he is expected to be for the next four to six weeks.

This is how it could go for the Mets this season. They have top-level talent, but are aging in many positions. I still would take their pitching staff any day over that of the rival Phillies, who will need to

literally outslug opponents almost every night in order to return for the postseason.

9. Please make me president of the fan club for the first-year players on the women's basketball team. Kristin Dukes, Cosima Higham, Jessica Lynch, Joyce Novacek and Taylor Phillips comprise the Class of 2011, a group that will be expected to do more next year with the graduation of the five-person Class of 2008.

For the women, Novacek's effort and hustle at all times will be contagious to everyone around her, and her play inside changed the way the Bison played this season. She should have been named to the Patriot League All-Tournament Team.

If a trophy was given out to the most valuable player for just the championship game, then it should have gone to Higham. Her active play on both ends of the court, coupled with her athleticism and size, will make her a force to reckon with for the next three years.

Phillips has the makings of another Lindsey Hollibaugh '07, as was made evident this season. Lynch has a smooth shooting stroke, and Dukes adds speed and defensive quickness that will be needed.

I look forward to seeing all of them play over the next three years. 10. As for this year's graduating seniors from the men's and women's basketball teams, all I have to say is thank you. Thank you for representing the University so well, thank you for taking the time to answer my questions without making me feel any different than the "real" (i.e. paid) press and thank you for all the memories.

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Major League Baseball: 2008 Season Preview

By Jared Napolitano
Business Manager

Well, it's that time of the year again. The great American pastime may have kicked off over a week ago in the Land of the Rising Sun with the two-game Red Sox-Athletics series, but Major League Baseball hit full gear this week. As always, a fresh season provides many things to which to look forward. After a dark offseason headlined by the indictment of home run king Barry Bonds, and more so the widely-incriminating Mitchell Report, fans of the game are excited to turn to the actual game and not the dirty laundry of the past. Much like The Late Show with David Letterman or maybe the more well-known,

Saylor Says, I will offer my Top Ten list of storylines that will hopefully attract your attention during the upcoming six months. I offer my far-from-expert predictions at the end. Play ball!

10) **Race to the Bottom** - Seemingly more than normal, offseason trades and free agency moves have seemed to polarize the teams into several dominant favorites and many bottom-dwellers. Many teams, like the Orioles, Giants and Athletics, have entered rebuilding stages as indicated by their shipping out of their top veterans in favor of a more youthful crop. The perennial loser duo of the Pirates and Royals offer no signs of improvement, and with the forecast of the Marlins, Nationals, Astros,

Cardinals and Rangers looking quite bleak, don't be surprised if more teams than normal lose 90 or more games.

9) **Out with the Old** - Two of baseball's most prominent players have no place to play in 2008. Barry Bonds, the career leader in home runs with 762, and Roger Clemens, the seven-time Cy Young Award winner, find themselves in their mid-40s, surrounded by legal battles and less-than-favorable in the court of public opinion. While their Hall of Fame candidacies would be unquestionable without accusations of use of performance-enhancing drugs, the route to Cooperstown is one of subjectivity. Opinionated sports media members ultimately determine who is worthy of a plaque on the Hall of Fame's walls, and pending the developments of Bonds' and Clemens' proceedings, their spots are by no means reserved.

8) **Firesales** - It's an unfortunate reality that the game of professional baseball in just the opposite in its true nature, a business. Every year several small market teams are forced to trade their superior talent for younger, lower-paid substitutes or watch them walk to a larger-market team more willing to satisfy their financial wants. While the Marlins are renowned for dumping their developed talent for young prospects, the Twins, Orioles and Athletics each lost arguably their two most prominent players. With the Johan Santana trade and Torii Hunter's departure in Minnesota, the Twins will certainly fall off a bit. The Orioles traded their two best players, strikeout-machine Erik Bedard and slugger Miguel Tejada, in hopes to rebuild in the coming years. And Billy Beane, the Athletics' GM, will be forced to work his mastery in maximizing wins with minimal payroll without stars Nick Swisher and Dan Haren.

7) **Curse of the Billy Goat** - Begin your 100 of the Chicago Cubs' World Series drought. A champi-

onship dearth of unprecedented magnitude, the last time the North Side brought back the title was before World War I. With a high payroll and talent all over the field, there is no question the Cubs will contend this season. But as always, will they be able to overcome the bogus and the bizarre obstacles that always seem to stand in their way?

6) **Fantasy Baseball** - While Fantasy sports have greatly increased their popularity in the most recent years, Fantasy baseball was the original of the genre and therefore its participants span wide and far. The phenomenon is perhaps most interesting when it forces Yankees fans to root for their Fantasy team's Red Sox players, or Dodgers fans to root for Giants - actually scratch that, I'm pretty sure no one wants Giants players on their teams. Anyway, the goal is always having a late-round find or savvy mid-season pickups.

5) **Blockbuster Moves** - As somewhat eluded to earlier, many offseason trades and free agency moves will have a great impact on the transgressions of the 2008 season. Johan Santana's \$137.5 million deal (these never seem to work out well for pitchers; see: Kevin Brown, Mike Hampton, Barry Zito), Torii Hunter's \$90 million deal, and the massive Alex Rodriguez contract all have a lot to live up to. But perhaps one of the most interesting changes of scenery this offseason was Joe Torre's relocation to Los Angeles. The Yankees will have their first season with a new manager since 1996, and how their veteran ballclub adjusts to young Joe Girardi will certainly be interesting to watch.

4) **Pennant Races** - Even with many poor teams in the league this year, the National League appears to again be a conglomeration of contenders, especially in the West. The Braves, Phillies and Mets will all jockey for the division crown throughout the season and with

everyone but the Giants capable of taking the West, it is likely the race will go down to the final weeks of the season. The Brewers and Cubs are the most promising in the central, but if previous years are any indicator, it will only take about 84 wins to win the title. In the American League, perhaps the two best teams in baseball are in the same division; the Indians and Tigers are both loaded, especially offensively, and now both have recent post-season experience. Unfortunately, while the Blue Jays look good on paper, they have the continuous problem of contending with the investment banks of New York and Boston. Out West, the Mariners will look to build on last year's Wild Card run and pass the Angels for supremacy in the division.

3) **Rivalries** - Speaking of the Yankees and Red Sox, their matchups this season will again be a great media draw, but following the bad blood of Spring Training with the Rays, Yankees games with Tampa Bay may turn into a fireworks display. Additionally, with the trash talk sustained in Philadelphia and following one of the most epic collapses in sports history, the Mets will look to claim back the East and dethroning the defending champions is a necessary part of such avenging. With the Braves more so back in the picture, these three rivals will undoubtedly have many exciting games. Finally, the Tigers and Indians will put their superior talent on display in a race to claim the AL Central.

2) **Milestones** - Even with not necessarily the most likeable characters, milestones are still a great part of the game. The often-controversial Gary Sheffield and Manny Ramirez are on the verge of reaching the 500 home run plateau, while Ken Griffey, Jr. is less than ten long balls shy of 600 - a feat only five other players have accomplished. Also, if the 44-year-old Big Unit, Randy Johnson, can stay healthy, on a good team like

the Diamondbacks it is a possibility that he reaches the exclusive 300-win club.

1) **New York, New York** - Both New York teams will play their final seasons in their traditional stomping grounds. While Shea Stadium has certainly seen its share of memorable moments, perhaps no venue in sports is as hallowed as Yankee Stadium. Host of the 26-time World Champion New York Yankees and home to such baseball legends as Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Mickey Mantle, the "House that Ruth Built" will be the stage for the 2008 All-Star Game. The new Yankee Stadium will be an architectural gold mine and Citifield will certainly have its share of luxuries as well.

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Service learning in the Caribbean

ACES chapter offers new spring break trip that assists impoverished communities in the Dominican Republic



Courtesy of Holly Batchelder
Students enjoyed playing with Dominican children during their spring break trip. Activities in which they bonded included a bracelet-making workshop.

By Annie Leister
A&E Editor

As of this year, another opportunity has been added to the University's service-based spring break excursions. The University's chapter of Alliance for Community, Education and Services (ACES), created just a few years ago, organized the newest of the University's spring break service trips.

The club is a branch of ACES-Williamsport, a registered nonprofit organization, and ACES-Dominican Republic, an organization of doctors, teachers and other professionals donating their time and money to assist several impoverished communities in the Dominican Republic.

The group of 16 people that went on the trip consisted of 13 students, two alumni and a University Spanish professor.

The group stayed for seven nights in a rented house in a suburb of the nation's capital, Santo Domingo, and participated in service projects in areas around the capital.

One of the best parts of the trip was the variety of service work the ACES group participated in.

On the first full day, the group's assisted doctors and medical professionals of ACES-Dominican Republic in a medical outreach when roughly 800 free patient consultations were held in a single day.

The group also helped with a food drive in the same neighborhood by organizing and bagging groceries to make bags containing enough food to feed a family for about a week and then distributing the bags to a list of families in need.

Participants spent a lot of time with Dominican children. One morning was spent teaching children at a local schoolhouse to make friendship bracelets, half of which the children kept and half of which were brought back by the ACES group to do further fundraising projects.

Two days were spent helping construct a new school in the community of Cabón.

In addition to the service work they performed, students experienced some of the more recreational and touristy aspects of the Dominican Republic. The group shopped in a colonial district of the capital city, went out for dinner and dancing, and spent their last day at the beach.

Students especially enjoyed interacting with the local culture. They found creative ways to get around the English-Spanish language barrier, worked on their "merengue" and "bachata" dance skills, and tried lots of new foods, including apple bananas, which are small bananas that actually taste more like an apple, mangú, which is a plantain-based breakfast dish, and habichuelas con dulce, which is a bean pudding and cinnamon dessert.



Courtesy of Holly Batchelder
The ACES group treks up a hill on its way to a playground. Students brought toys, games, and kite-making supplies along to share with the local children.

What also made the trip fun was its spontaneity—due in part to the slightly more relaxed sense of time in the Dominican Republic, a cultural difference that took a bit of getting used to.

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ACES hopes to make a spring break service trip to the Dominican Republic an annual tradition. The club plans to host a presentation about their trip later in April that will be open to the campus community.

One afternoon when students were waiting for materials to arrive to begin helping with the construction project, they started an impromptu basketball game, drawing a small crowd of amused Dominican onlookers.

Collin McKinney, assistant professor of Spanish who accompanied the trip, said, "Our experience in the Dominican Republic had everything you would want out of this sort of trip. We met some wonderful people, we saw some beautiful as well as impoverished parts of the country, and most of all we helped. I think Bucknellians should be proud that their fellow students took up this cause."



Annie Leister—The Bucknellian
Students Annie Leister '10 and Betsey Schneider '10 hand out bags of food supplies. The ACES group sponsored this food drive event during their trip.

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Inside the Animal Behavior Lab

By Erica Schiffrs
Staff Writer

For the past several months of my sophomore year, my peers and I living in Bucknell West have walked past the University's monkey cages. Yet even with their baboon smell and occasional outbursts of high pitched squawking and cage rattling, students pay a little attention to the monkeys as the monkeys pay to students.

According to Peter Judge, primatologist and associate professor of psychology and animal behavior, ignoring you is the "greatest compliment a monkey can give a human because it shows they are comfortable around you" because they are easily startled and distracted by humans.

The high pitched monkey calls, it turns out, are the result of excitement generated by snack time when they receive an all-time favorite treat: fruit snacks. These special treats are awarded for completing experi-

ment tasks.

By keeping records of their preferred foods, Judge has found the monkey palate is remarkably similar to that of college students: Cheetos, Oreos, animal crackers and peanuts top the list, just to name a few. However, "the monkeys will do almost anything for a grape," Judge said.

The Animal Behavior Lab, created in 1968, has four species at the facility: Brown or tufted capuchins, hamadryas baboons, lion-tailed macaques and squirrel monkeys. Students have the opportunity to observe the behavior of the primates or may conduct independent research in noninvasive behavioral experiments.

One experiment tests for the ability to match geometric shapes. There are 10 capuchins, most of which are used in the research of cognitive abilities. This experiment involves match-to-sample techniques, where a computer screen is rolled up to the monkeys' cage,

and the monkeys match geometric shapes projected on a touch screen. Natalie, a low-ranking capuchin (determined by losing fights) demonstrated her ability by correctly matching nine different shapes and received a treat for each correct match. Natalie was correct on 35 out of the 40 trials, feat completed by only two other monkeys.

Natalie has also completed this task with her very cute baby monkey clasped to her back. The baby clings to her mother at all times, even while sleeping.

This is necessary because other female monkeys will steal the baby monkey right off her back. In fact, Sheeba, a dominant female monkey who never stopped lactating, stole and mothered two of Natalie's previous babies.

In addition to being skilled in match-to-sample tasks, one of the capuchins, Monet, has shown numerical competence and mastered arranging one to

four in ascending order.

Currently, Judge is using the same match-to-sample methods to examine whether the monkeys can recognize themselves and their friends. With this knowledge, Judge will be able to examine the social cognition of the monkeys. (As of now, Judge remains unconvinced they do recognize themselves and the other monkeys with whom they live).

One student did research for his master's thesis on the baboons' levels of the stress hormone cortisol and found they responded in a similar manner to stress as humans.

Cortisol levels, which were obtained by collecting saliva in a completely noninvasive manner, were found to be higher in the winter when the monkeys were crowded inside their heated indoor quarters than in the summer when they had access to outdoors.

These higher cortisol samples corresponded with nervous behaviors, like scratching and playing with the hair. These behaviors are also observed in anxious obsessive-compulsive humans.

The hamadryas baboons are also studied for their conflict-management skills. The baboons will fight but make up afterwards.

One reconciliation pattern observed is that the lower ranking monkey will approach the other monkey to make up; this is facilitated by grooming the more dominant monkey who is usually receptive and accepts the apology.

While these monkeys may sometimes exhibit behaviors striking outsiders as comical, they contribute to serious scientific enterprise. Their health and well-being is important to the University. The primates on campus may be under the radar of most students, but for those working with the primates, their presence and participation for the University are invaluable.

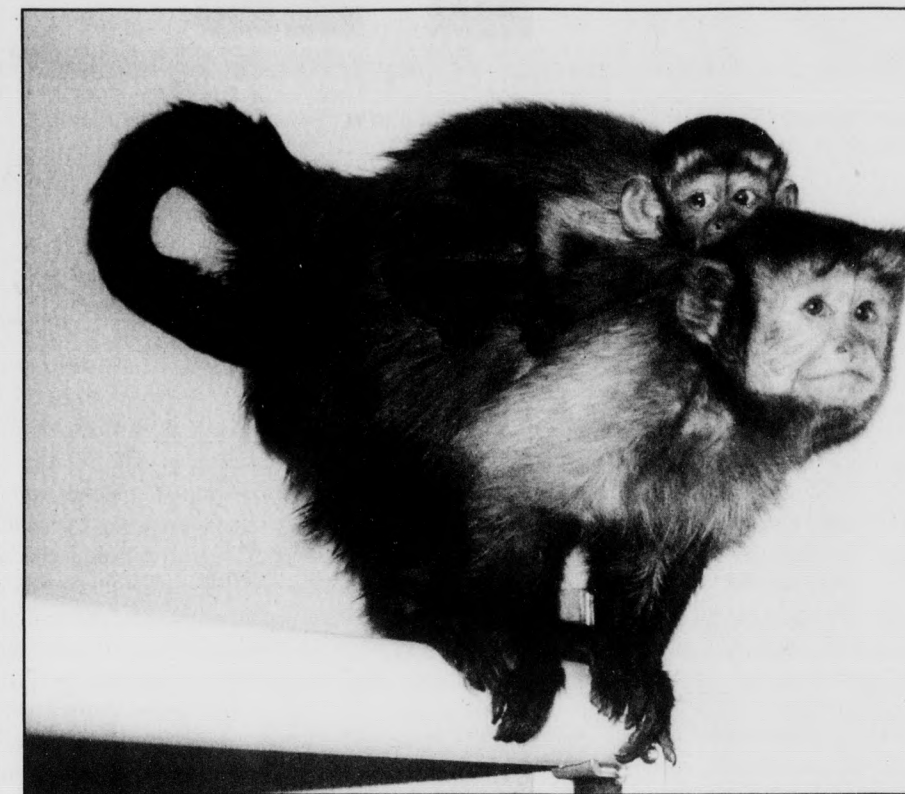


Photo courtesy of Mary Gavitt
Natalie, a capuchin monkey in the University's Animal Behavior Lab, crouches with her baby on her back. Another capuchin has previously stolen and mothered two of Natalie's babies.

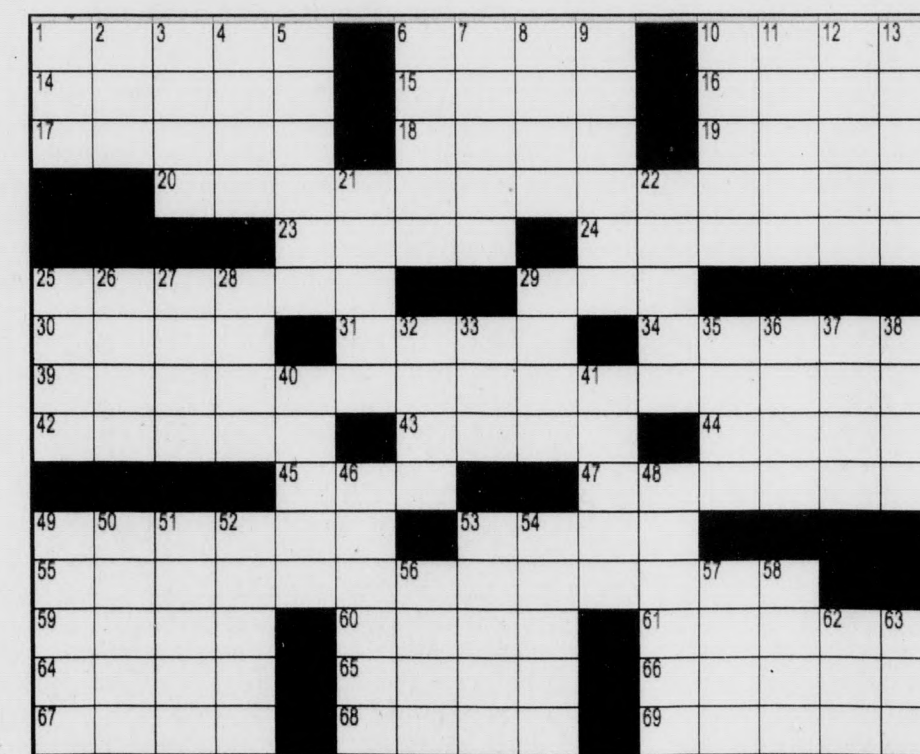
The Bucknellian Crossword

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1. Stadium walkways
6. Apartment type
10. Groupies
14. "Silas Marner" novelist
15. Competent
16. Gusto
17. Add up
18. Orchard item
19. Pro
20. TV actor
23. Snakelike fish
24. Baltimore bird
25. Figure out
29. Pitcher's pride
30. Flight data, briefly
31. Shower
34. Clear the blackboard
39. Theme of this puzzle?
42. Silk substitute
43. Black cat, to some
44. Sugary drinks
45. Low island
47. So far
49. Comedian
53. Track
55. TV producer
59. Bikini parts
60. House divider
61. Heart part
64. "The Ranger"
65. Great Lakes city
66. Screen letters
67. Expires
68. Hot
69. Overhauled

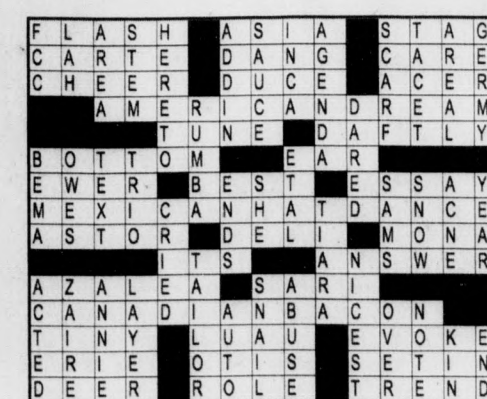
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2. Pie mode
3. Half of half-and-half
4. Barbershop emblem
5. Like some hair
6. Place for a boutonniere



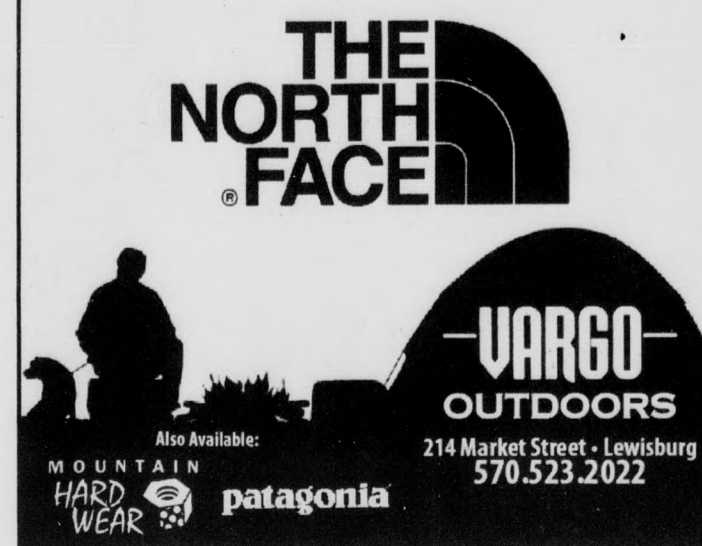
46. Make a comeback
48. National symbol
49. "Gone with the Wind" guy
50. Hammerin' Hank
51. Impressive
52. He took two tablets
53. Museum piece
54. Back street
56. Prefix with legal
57. Identify
58. Pleased
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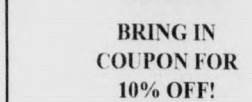
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Everything you really need to know before you graduate

Finding & designing your first place

Looking for an apartment

By Sara Roth
Features Editor

Whether you've decided to move out of your parents' house this summer or you're searching for your first place post-graduation, finding your first apartment can seem extremely daunting. There are many factors to be considered in your search, but if you cover all the bases, you can get a great apartment in your price range.

Take your time: Plan on spending two or three weeks looking for an apartment. You don't want to settle for the first place you find; look at a few places, compare prices, amenities, location and size, and then pick the apartment that best fits your needs.

Consider your area: Apartment searching in New York City will be different from finding a place in a smaller town. If you plan on moving to an expensive city, you may have to compromise on some things. You should spend no more than 30 percent of your income on your apartment. If you make \$30,000 a year, plan on spending no more than \$800/month on an apartment. With living expenses and student loans, it's better to live frugally right out of college.

Decide your search strategy: Fee versus No Fee Rentals. A broker's fee can be expensive—usually around 12 percent of a year's rent. However, brokers can show you some great apartments only available to their firms. If you are searching in a big city and can afford to pay a broker, this is the easy way to go.

It is possible to find an apartment without a broker. Craigslist.com has a huge amount of apartment listings in many areas. When visiting apartments found on Craigslist, always bring a friend. The Internet is a useful search tool, but anyone can post an apartment on Craigslist. Use your discretion.

Craigslist is also a great place to find roommates. Click "Rooms/Shared" in the "Housing" section of the site, and browse through the different roommate options. Roommates.com is also a useful resource for finding someone to split the rent.

When searching apartment listings: People can get very creative with their descriptive adjectives. Here's what they really mean:

Walk-up = No elevator
Up-and-coming neighborhood = Not a great neighborhood
Studio apartment = The living room is the bedroom
Junior one-bedroom = Small room connected to the living room which may only fit a small bed

When visiting possible apartments: You should make sure to check the security, state of repair and appliances. An apartment checklist:

- Doors have dead bolt locks?
- Does front door have a viewfinder (peephole)?
- Exterior doors 1-3/8" metal or solid wood?
- Windows open (stay open by themselves), close and lock?
- Hallway and outdoor lighting sufficient?
- Doors and windows fit securely in their frames?
- Evidence of mold on walls, floor or ceiling?
- Faucets or pipes under sinks leak?
- Does toilet flush properly?
- Evidence of roaches?
- Light fixture covers broken or missing?
- Three-prong electrical outlets?
- Working smoke detectors near bedrooms?
- Refrigerator and freezer large enough?
- Will apartment need to be repainted/carpet replaced?
- Is the hallway clean?
- Sufficient hot water for showers? (ask current tenants)
- Is parking included, or are there free spaces nearby?
- Is the apartment quiet? (busy roads, thin walls, etc.)

When you've found your perfect apartment:

In order to rent an apartment, you will need:
—The first two pages of last year's tax return
—Your most recent bank statements, bank account numbers and credit card numbers

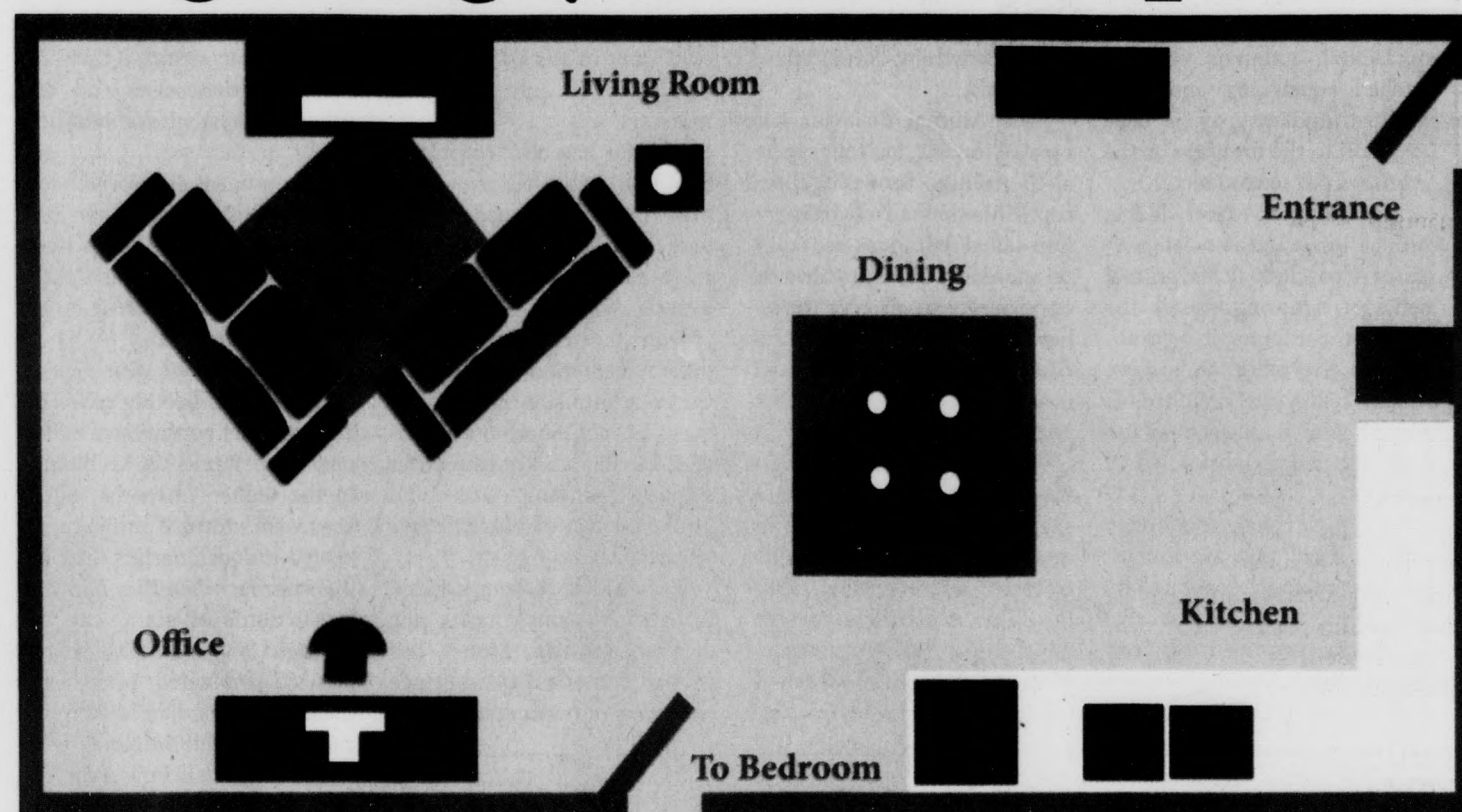
—Most recent pay stubs
—Names, addresses and phone numbers of previous landlords
—Names, addresses and phone number of personal and business references
—Photo I.D. such as driver's license or passport

You will also need to pay for and pass a credit check and prove income verification. If, as a young professional or current student, you don't have adequate credit yet, a co-signor or guarantor can help you land the apartment.

Make sure you read your lease carefully, and if you don't understand something, ask for clarification from the landlord or an attorney. The lease will tell you your exact responsibilities as a tenant, such as whether or not you can have pets and when rent is due, and his responsibilities as a landlord, such as his policies on maintenance and repairs.

Happy Hunting!

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This floor plan offers an option for setting up your furniture for both viewing the television and for conversation. The barrier made by the living room couches offers a separate space for an office area.

Decorating your space

By Rina Van Orden
Features Editor

Now that you've scored your first apartment, it's time to consider how to decorate it. Many recent graduates end up living in dorm room-like conditions: mismatched furniture, old tapestries and the errant pizza box or beer can accessory. However, you can avoid this and live in style without breaking the bank.

Whether it's adding a few unifying splashes of color with paint and accessories, buying a few new furniture pieces or making your old stuff look like new, you can decorate your space on any budget by following a few basic design strategies and getting creative.

First, consider what style you'd like your rooms to be. Contemporary, traditional, industrial, Asian, Mediterranean—the list goes on. Each style is evoked by the architecture of your furniture, fabrics and patterns, color shades and accessories. Don't feel like you have to decorate each room with the same style or colors. For descriptions of different styles and endless ideas to make them happen, visit www.hgtv.com.

Try to pick four or five design elements and stick to them. Keeping your floor situation in mind—you usually can't change the carpet or wood color—pick one color each for your walls and your furniture. Then you can choose one or two accent colors for accessories that will really stand out against the rest of the colors you've chosen.

For example, if your first

apartment has beige carpeting as a lot of places do, you start off with a pretty neutral color that you can build on. Wood flooring also leaves you plenty of options, but keep the tones in mind if you plan on also having wood furniture.

A good place to start is choosing a paint color. Consider your color choice carefully. Make sure it won't clash with your furniture and that you can live with being surrounded by that shade every day.

Before splashing any color on your walls, double check with your landlord that you are allowed to paint—some rentals don't allow it.

Whatever themes and colors you choose, you can create a stylish unified room that serves your needs and is distinctly you.

Don't freak out if the paint color looks slightly different when you first put it on the walls—the color will always look different while it's wet and typically needs the full drying time to look exactly like the palette you chose.

If painting every wall a strong color is too much for you, consider painting one or two as focus walls and then paint the other walls a softer complementary color.

Use soothing colors to paint your bedroom, whether using a dark or light shade. In this space you want to feel comfortable and relaxed, so bright orange or red might not be the best choices.

If you can't paint the walls, consider large pieces of art

work, framed photo collections, or floating shelves to add some interest and color to the walls. These are good ways to decorate painted walls too.

You can also add color to your living space with area rugs and curtains.

Coming out of college, the furniture you get your hands on may not exactly match or be in the greatest shape, but you can make it work for you.

Just because you have dorm furniture doesn't mean you need to get rid of it.

Try to reuse old pieces of furniture in new ways. For example, if you buy a new desk, use your old one as an end table or

niture in a way that allows for conversation as well as watching television or playing video games. If you have two couches or a couch and two chairs, place them facing each other or in a v-shape, as pictured above. This way you can still enjoy company and view the television.

Position your dining table close to the kitchen and in the eye line of the television if you like to watch while you eat.

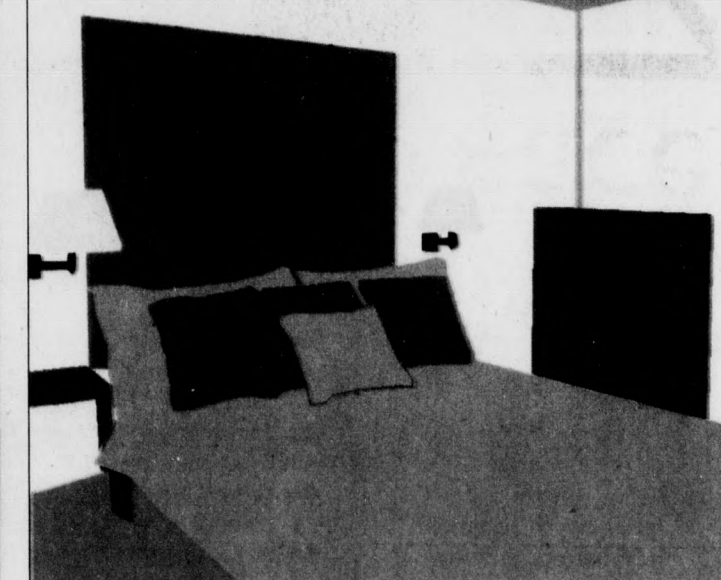
Designate one section of your apartment as an office by placing a desk there and do all work activities there so you can relax in the rest of your space. If you have trouble concentrating, don't put your desk in front of a window or in view of the television.

Once your furniture is set up, you can accessorize with your accent colors. Use colors you'd like to see more prominently for rugs, curtains, artwork and lamps. Choose a color that will pop against the rest of the room for vases, throw pillows, place mats, etc.

Fresh flowers and candles will brighten up any room as well.

Make your bedroom your own little sanctuary. Treat yourself to comfortable bedding and decorate in your favorite style. Keep the floor free of clutter and try not to put your office in your bedroom so that you can relax completely and keep any work tasks off your mind as you sleep.

Whatever themes and colors you choose, you can create a stylish unified room that serves your needs and is distinctly you.



Paint your room a soothing color that complements your bedroom furniture. If you can't paint your walls, there are find other ways to add color like hanging large art pieces or mounting a colorful headboard (pictured right).

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Obama surrogates campaign on campus

Veterans value judgment, trust and reliance in Obama

By Ahmed Kodouda
Writer

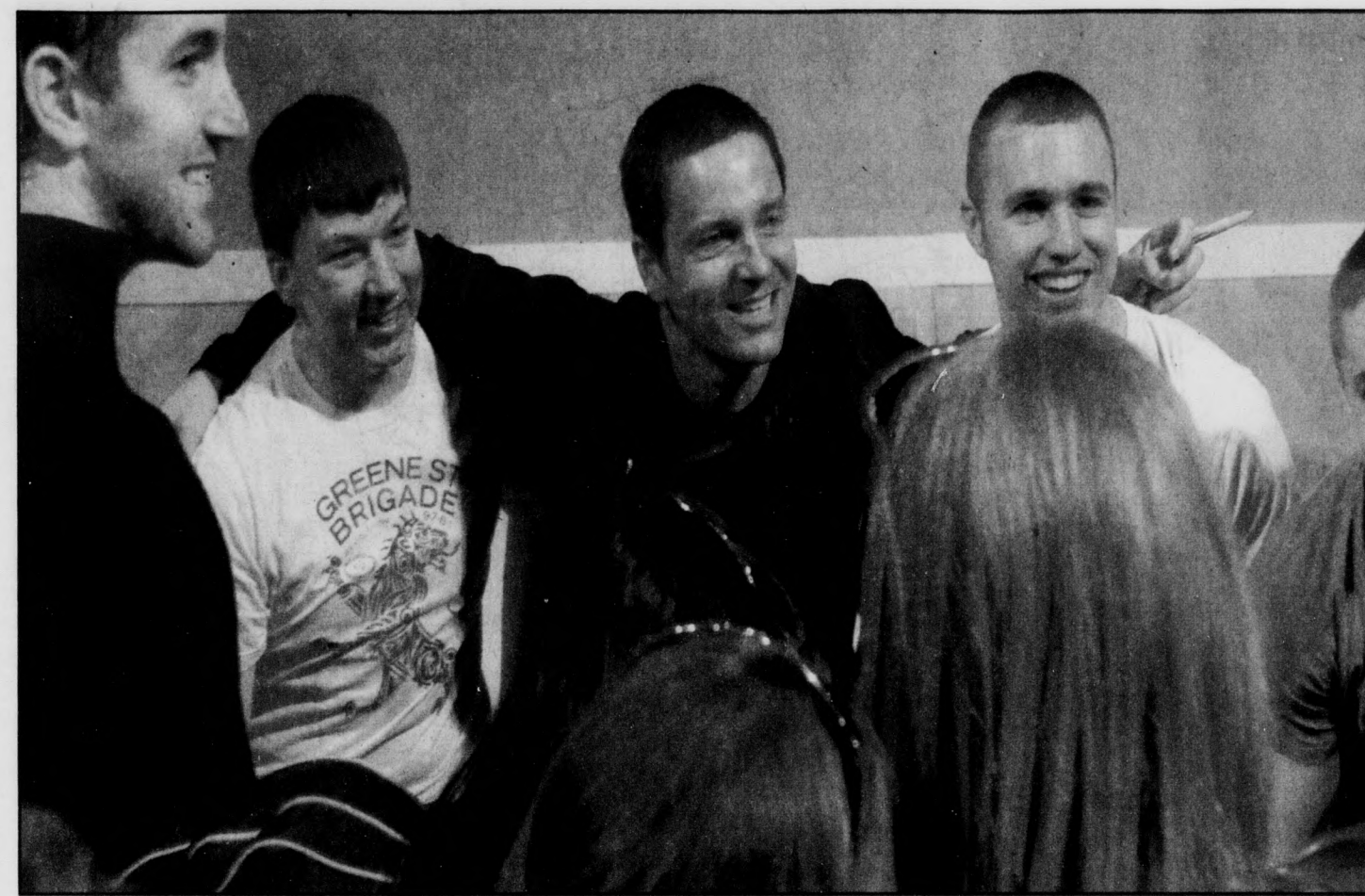
Sen. Barack Obama's, D-Ill., position on the Iraq War and foreign policy commitment make him the best presidential candidate, according to three U.S. veterans that spoke in his support Thursday, April 3 in the Langone Center Forum.

Participants included Dick Klass, co-chair of the Veterans and Foreign Policy Committee for Barack Obama and a retired Air Force Colonel; Scott Allen, a Vietnam War Veteran; and Michael Bauder, a veteran of the Iraq War.

According to all three veterans, Barack Obama has the judgment to make him the best president of the United States.

Klass said, "Judgment counts

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Stephan Jenkins, lead singer of Third Eye Blind, meets with students after his lecture supporting presidential candidate Barack Obama. Jenkins stressed the importance of young voters in the upcoming Pennsylvania primaries.

Lead singer criticizes Bush years as stupid, wasteful

By Brian Mulligan
Sports Editor

Third Eye Blind lead singer, Stephan Jenkins, spoke in Trout Auditorium the afternoon before his concert on Saturday in support of Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill.

Jenkins stressed that college students in Pennsylvania are at a unique point in history and are able to make a substantial difference in the future of the nation.

He went further to encourage students to become part of the grassroots movement that has made Obama's campaign so successful.

Jenkins has been involved with the Obama campaign in

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Point forgiveness draws students to reenactment

By Emilija Rygellis
Writer

This year's attendance at the Student Emergency Response Volunteers (SERV) mock vehicle accident doubled from last year's numbers. Some speculate the one-point forgiveness offer was responsible for drawing students to Sunday's reenactment.

"I do believe that the one point forgiveness was a motivator in many people's cases. It seems very fair to me that if you get in trouble for drinking but then attend an event that teaches you about the dangers of that sort of behavior, you're sort of doing your time... it's like traffic school," SERV member Patti Scarff '10 said.

SERV coordinates the event every year in an effort to discourage students from getting behind the wheel after drinking. Members are responsible for organizing, planning and executing the reenactment.

"Even though driving drunk

isn't prevalent on our own campus, an estimated 30 percent of Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related car accident at some point in their lives, and in 2002 over 10 percent of drunk driving trips were made by college-aged 18- to 20-year-olds," Scarff said.

According to Scarff, educational events such as these have helped significantly reduce the numbers of incidents in the last 20 years.

"Our goal with this event was to show students what we do at an emergency scene and to make alcohol education more realistic," said Mark Steinhauer '09, SERV chief of operations. "We wanted to raise awareness about the consequences of drunk driving outside the classroom so that people realize their decisions can harm others as well as themselves."

He urged students to think twice before drinking and driving.

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Patti Scarff '10, a SERV member, portrays a victim being helped by response volunteers during the drunk driving accident reenactment. Some believe this year's higher attendance was due to the opportunity for a one alcohol point forgiveness.

BU Olympics lacks participation

By Wendy Schilbener
Writer

Despite opening up the Greek Olympics to general campus participation, the events were poorly attended this year.

The Olympic Games, co-sponsored by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs and the Bucknell Athletics Department, included events such as Wing Fest, a Talent/Skit Show, traditional Olympic sports events and a volleyball tournament, and took place over the course of the week. Different teams such as softball, fraternities and sororities participated along with the rest of the University, as opposed to just the Greek community.

"It was told that this change [to including the whole campus] was a long time coming," said Jaclyn Specbler '10, vice president-external for the Panhellenic Council and a main organizer for the week's events. "It was brought about by students, both Greek and non-Greek. It was a way to get the campus more unified and

not divided by the Greek system and independents."

The Wing Fest had a fairly large turnout, but Saturday's volleyball tournament was cancelled after only four teams showed up.

"The wing fest attendance

"It was a way to get the campus more unified."
Jaclyn Specbler '10
Vice President-external
Panhellenic Council

was more than last year. We were so happy with the turnout - we actually ran out of wings early!" Specbler said.

Some students attributed the poor attendance to a lack of advertising.

"It was a good idea in theory but just had a poor turnout," said Tracey Woodard '10, a member of the Chi Omega sorority who attended the Talent Show.

"I guess it wasn't marketed very well. I remember getting one little thing in the mail about it."

"I didn't hear much about it and didn't know when it was happening," said Jen Sardella '10, a non-Greek affiliated student.

The lack of participation is believed to have been caused by Greek and non-Greek conflicts this past weekend, officials said.

"I know many [Greeks] had formal on Friday and many sports had practice or games as well," Specbler said.

The Pi Beta Phi sorority won the wing eating contest for women. Sigma Alpha Epsilon won the wing eating contest for men. The Kappa Alpha Theta sorority won both the Talent and Olympic Games competitions for women while Lambda Chi Alpha won the Talent Competition. No male teams showed up for the Olympic Games event. Plans for next year's Olympics, including whether the event will be non-Greek affiliated or not, have yet to be discussed, officials said.



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Men's lacrosse moves into second place in the Patriot League with 7-4 win over Army.

One writer questions how the University is handling the housing crunch.

The Day of Silence will acknowledge discrimination felt by the LGBT community and other groups.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, April 2

ALARM / INTRUSION

Computer Storage: Caused by employee.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

Bertrand Library: Warning / Ban issued.

EMS TRANSPORT

Bucknell Hall: Patient transported to hospital.

Thursday, April 3

DISTURBANCE

Trax Hall: Unfounded.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT

Roberts Hall: Fire extinguisher was discharged.

ALARM / FIRE

Golf Course Clubhouse: Caused by employee.

ALARM / INTRUSION

Stadium: Cause unknown.

ALARM / FIRE

Botany: Detector malfunction.

Friday, April 4

ALARM / FIRE

Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.

ALARM / INTRUSION

Bertrand Library: Cause unknown.

THEFT

Weis Center: Under investigation.

THEFT

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Under investigation.

Bertrand Library: Caused by student.

Saturday, April 5

ASSIST/MEDICAL

Basketball Court: Gone on arrival.

SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY

Sojka Pavilion: Judicial referral.

Sunday, April 6

PROPERTY / FOUND

640 St. George St.: Under investigation.

TAMPERING WITH FIRE EQUIPMENT

Lambda Chi Alpha: Report filed.

Monday, April 7

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF

Vedder Hall: Under investigation.

ALARM / TROUBLE

Bertrand Library: Detector malfunction.

ALARM / INTRUSION Computer Center: Cause was a fax machine.

Tuesday, April 8

DISORDERLY CONDUCT

Larison Hall: Gone on arrival.

MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT

23 University Avenue Parking Lot: Under investigation.

ALARM / INTRUSION

Computer Center: Caused by fax machine.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON
Vedder Hall: Gone on arrival.SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY
7th Street Parking Lot: Gone on arrival.

Mock accident a reality check for students

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ing. "You aren't the only person on the road," Steinhauer said. It seems campus attendance was a good sign for SERV's efforts to promote drunk driving awareness.

"I feel that the one point forgiveness was an excellent idea because it adds another dimension of alcohol education targeted at students who can benefit the most," Steinhauer said.

Though the event was only one day, it took a significant amount of time and effort to prepare.

"We began planning this at the end of February," Scarff said. "It involves getting cars that have been wrecked, writing a scenario, reserving space, organizing all the apparatus and personnel, finding people to act in it and advertising so all our hard work doesn't go to waste."

The scenario depicted one couple in a car on their way

back to campus after a date and a group of three girl friends in another car after a night of drinking, also on their way back to campus.

Scarff, the drunk driver in the girls' car, crashes into the couple's car. She ends up killing one of her best friends and the boyfriend in the other car. Soon afterwards, emergency vehicles arrive on the scene and attend to the victims.

"I was the first ambulance on the scene, and my crew and I were responsible for the cardiac arrest patient who needed CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation)," SERV member Tyler Colangelo '11 said. "I think we painted a pretty good picture of what we see on all the major car accidents we respond to."

SERV is affiliated with William Cameron Engine Company, the local fire station, who supplied the ambulances, rescue truck and equipment for the mock accident.

Participants thought the collaborative performance proved

successful.

"I was pleased with the turnout," Scarff said.

"The most important message I want Bucknell to take from watching the accident is that these things do happen, and they do happen to college kids; no one is invincible. The more a person takes responsibility for their actions and walks home, calls a cab or even makes themselves available to pick up intoxicated friends, the fewer people will be injured or killed in alcohol related crashes," Scarff said.

The SERV members were not the only ones pleased with the outcome of the mock accident. "I think this is a valuable thing the campus has. It sends a strong message by giving students like myself a clear visual representation of a tragic reality," audience member Megan Vodzak '09 said. "It's also a great motivation for sorority and fraternity members to come and watch for service hours."



Two SERV members perform an automobile extrication during Sunday's mock vehicle accident. The reenactment, organized by SERV, was designed to discourage students from driving while drunk.

Alexandra Kutner—The Bucknellian

Facebook helps BSG reach students

By Hallie Stebbins
News Editor

Bucknell Student Government (BSG) plans to utilize modern technological media to inform students of its work after recognizing many students are confused as to the actual function of student government on campus.

Within the eCommunications division of BSG, the idea arose to implement an almost universal mode of communication on campus—Facebook—to open the lines of communication between BSG and University students.

Ideally, it will "serve as a hub for communication, discussion and information about issues concerning us as students and members of the Bucknell community," according to the page.

The Facebook page seeks to raise awareness of how BSG operates. In the form of a video, it provides information on members of BSG, their roles and the typical course of a BSG meeting.

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The BSG Facebook page will serve as an outlet for BSG programs and proposals, as well as a forum for major issues on campus, such as the arming of Public Safety and diversity on campus. Zaf Kamar '09, head of BSG's

can attempt to better address them. Jaspinder Kanwal '11, president of the first-year class, stressed that "all opinions are valid," and encouraged campus-wide participation. Reaction to the Facebook

"I hadn't heard of their Facebook page until now. I think it is a good idea because it will keep students informed about what BSG is doing. I have a feeling that many students on campus don't really know much about BSG, so this will be a good way to get everybody involved."

Clare Hou '09

Students can access BSG's Facebook page through the link posted on its Web site, www.bucknellstudentgovernment.com.

Kamar and Kanwal both asserted that for the page to have a significant impact on communication between BSG and the student body, all correspondences must be taken seriously. BSG hopes to utilize modern media in a professional manner that will encourage productivity.

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Opposition to war enhances candidacy

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a whole lot more in a commander. If you ask a military person, "what is the most important thing in a commander's... it is that his or her subordinates must trust him or her."

The veterans all emphasized the importance of trust and the reliance on aides.

"The relationship has to be one of trust, and that has to be based on integrity," Klass said.

Citing Obama's opposition to the Iraq War before its inception, the speakers agreed the war was a mistake and should have never occurred in the first place.

Michael Bauder, who fought in Iraq during the 2003 invasion of the country, spoke about his experience during the war and

his circumstances after leaving active duty.

"The Iraq War is very real to me. I was a driver and a gunner of a Humvee," Bauder said.

Vietnam veteran Scott Allen discussed the Powell Doctrine, which stipulates eight "rules" that must be followed before any military action is to be taken. Allen questioned McCain's support for the Iraq war.

"John McCain understands the Powell Doctrine. It is inexplicable why John McCain continues to support this [Iraq] war. The military is becoming as exhausted as it was during the Vietnam War," Allen said.

He claimed Obama "is the only candidate who has had the foresight to understand the implications of the wrong war, at

the wrong place, at the wrong time."

Colonel Klass also questioned Sen. Hillary Clinton's, D-N.Y., ability to lead the country during a war.

"[Hillary Clinton] never had any security clearance," Klass said.

"Barack Obama has outlined a plan for Iraq—that is why there are hundreds of thousands of veterans that are supporting Barack Obama for president of the United States," Klass said.

After experiencing the war first hand and being able to engage with normal Iraqis, Bauder "realized that there are people here in Iraq that want to be just like me and my family. They just want to live."

Bauder also went into detail

about his grievances with the current system and the current administration's handling of the Iraq War veterans. Bauder is currently enlisted as a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard, and his duty is scheduled to end in May. He is disappointed that he will lose most of his benefits.

"Once I leave the military, I won't be able to use any of my benefits, including my GI Bill," Bauder said.

Several students who participated in the discussion were very enthusiastic about the talk.

"It was nice to see several different generations who spoke openly about their experiences and why they have chosen to give Barack Obama their vote," Collin Purcell '08 said.

Earth Week 2008 Schedule of Events

April 14:
Make your own recycled canvas bag to use around campus
6-9 p.m., Craft Center

April 15:
Water Usage Demonstration
All day, Uphill LC

April 16:
Sustainability dinner in Bostwick and Leonardo DiCaprio's movie "The 11th hour"
Sponsored by Bucknell Dining
5-8 p.m., Uphill LC

April 17:
Jeff Goodell, "The Return of King Coal: How America's Fossil Fuel Dinosaur Will Fuel Our Future and Cook Our Planet"
7:30 p.m., Rooke Chemistry Auditorium

Paper Usage Demonstration
All day, Uphill LC

April 18:
Stream Clean-up
3-5 p.m., sign up in LC Mall

Vegan Brownie Night: Learn how to make vegan brownies with Nicole Falcaro '09 - open to the first eight people to sign up
7-9 p.m., Craft Center

April 19:
EarthFest '08
12-3 p.m., Larison Dining Hall

Illustration by Ery Sellers

News Briefs

USAID administrator to speak on U.S. foreign aid

James R. Kunder, acting deputy administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, will be speaking on campus Tuesday. His talk, "U.S. Foreign Aid in the 21st Century," will be held in Rooke Chemistry Lecture Hall from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Students meet with local legislators

The Association of Independent Colleges & Universities of Pennsylvania announced that more than 100 students gathered at the Main Rotunda of the Capitol Building for the annual Student Lobby Day Tuesday. Students from Pennsylvania's private colleges and universities visited the Harrisburg capitol and met with their local legislators. Seven students from the University along with President Mitchell attended the lobby pushing for lawmakers to restore the cuts to student grants.

Over 600 pounds of meat stolen

A robber broke into a Selinsgrove meat market and stole over 600 pounds of meats between Saturday night and early Sunday morning. The Daily Item reported that Troutman's Meat Market reported missing meat, poultry and fish. Troutman, the owner, estimates that about 600-700 pounds of products were stolen amounting to a total loss of \$2,000 or more. Police are investigating whether this is related to the similar burglary at Sunbury Meats and Poultry in March.

Olympic torch relay shortened in San Francisco

The Olympic torch relay was interrupted in San Francisco Wednesday by protestors against China's recent crackdown on Tibet. The route was shortened and changed to minimize chances of running into the protestors. Activists opposing the Olympics and those supporting them were both present amounting to over 1,000 people. According to CNN, the torch was then driven away rather than carried by a runner after the lighting ceremony.

Boy attacked with hedgehog

CNN reported that a 27-year-old man in New Zealand was accused of assaulting a 15-year-old boy with a prickly hedgehog. The hedgehog hit the victim in the leg and caused a large red welt as well as several puncture wounds. William Singalargh was arrested and currently faces charges for assault and possibly animal cruelty. If convicted, Singalargh could face up to five years in prison.

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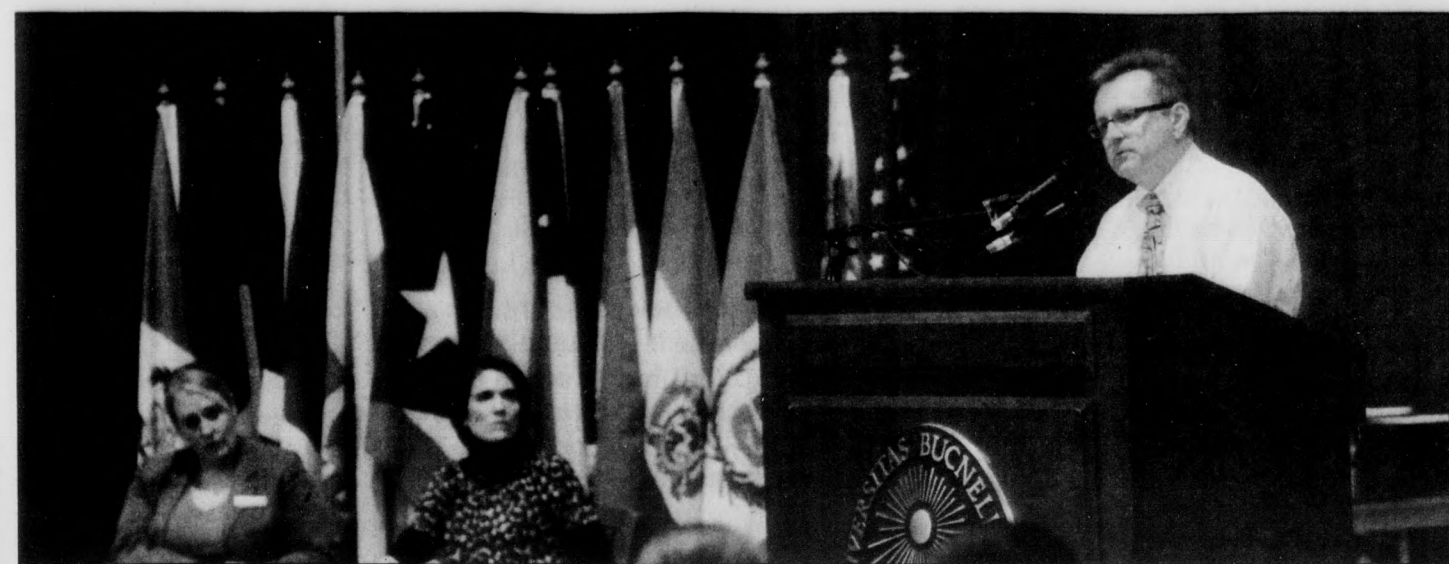
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Celebration of Diversity 2008

At Tuesday's 20th annual Celebration of Diversity, student groups showcased how diversity plays a role in their own organizations. After a buffet dinner, some members of the campus community were recognized for their accomplishments.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Cristie Winkler '08 displays her award for Exceptional Student Accomplishment.



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Dean Robert Midkiff encouraged students to use their voices to start making changes about diversity on campus. This year's celebration was held in Sojka Pavilion on Tuesday.

Celebration of Diversity Award Winners

Distinguished Senior
Naomi Hossain '08

Exceptional Student Accomplishment
Cristie Winkler '08

Student Organization Award
South Asian Students Association

Student Research
Melissa Ravelly '08

Exceptional Faculty/Staff
Peg Cronin

Burma Bucknell Award
Paul Susman

Jenkins endorses Obama New programs keep alumni in touch

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many different forms. He was one of the headlines at Barack Obama's "Change Rocks" event at the Rivera Theater in Chicago, Ill., last December.

The event was held Dec. 7 and featured Jenkins along with Wilco's leadman Jeff Tweedy and songwriter Jill Sobule, performing acoustic renditions of their most popular songs in support of Obama.

Third Eye Blind has also been touring colleges across the nation, beginning with Old Dominion University on March 20.

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as president.

Jenkins went on to ask the question, "Why Barack?" versus the other candidates.

Jenkins criticized President George W. Bush's years in office as "stupid, fearful and wasteful," and felt Bush has done an inadequate job as president.

He believes Obama has the character and personality to move the nation in the right direction because of his ability to unite the American public as one.

"Barack is eligible to get things done because he is a

believer in inclusion," Jenkins said.

According to a Public Policy Polling from Wednesday, Obama's competition, Hillary Clinton, owns a 46-43 advantage over Obama. Jenkins said the college students of Pennsylvania have the ability to make up this gap to win Pennsylvania, traditionally a swing state, for Obama.

"Students of Pennsylvania can talk to the nation [by voting]," Jenkins said.

Pennsylvania will be sending 187 delegates to the Democratic National Convention—a substantial portion of the 2024 delegates needed to win the Democratic Presidential Nomination.

The Pennsylvania primary will be held April 22.

By Jeremy O'Sullivan
Writer

The Office of Alumni Relations is currently executing a comprehensive operation targeted at improving student-alumni relations as well as re-vamping the University's connection with alumni.

According to Kristin Stetler, Associate Director of Alumni Relations, and Melissa McBrayer, Assistant Director of Alumni Relations, this operation will focus on restructuring much of the University's traditional networking and alumni events, and even the technology behind the University's homepage.

The recently introduced co-chair program was the first brick laid in this operation. Initially piloted within the Department of Environmental Studies, this program involves two faculty nominated students from each academic department, commissioned to

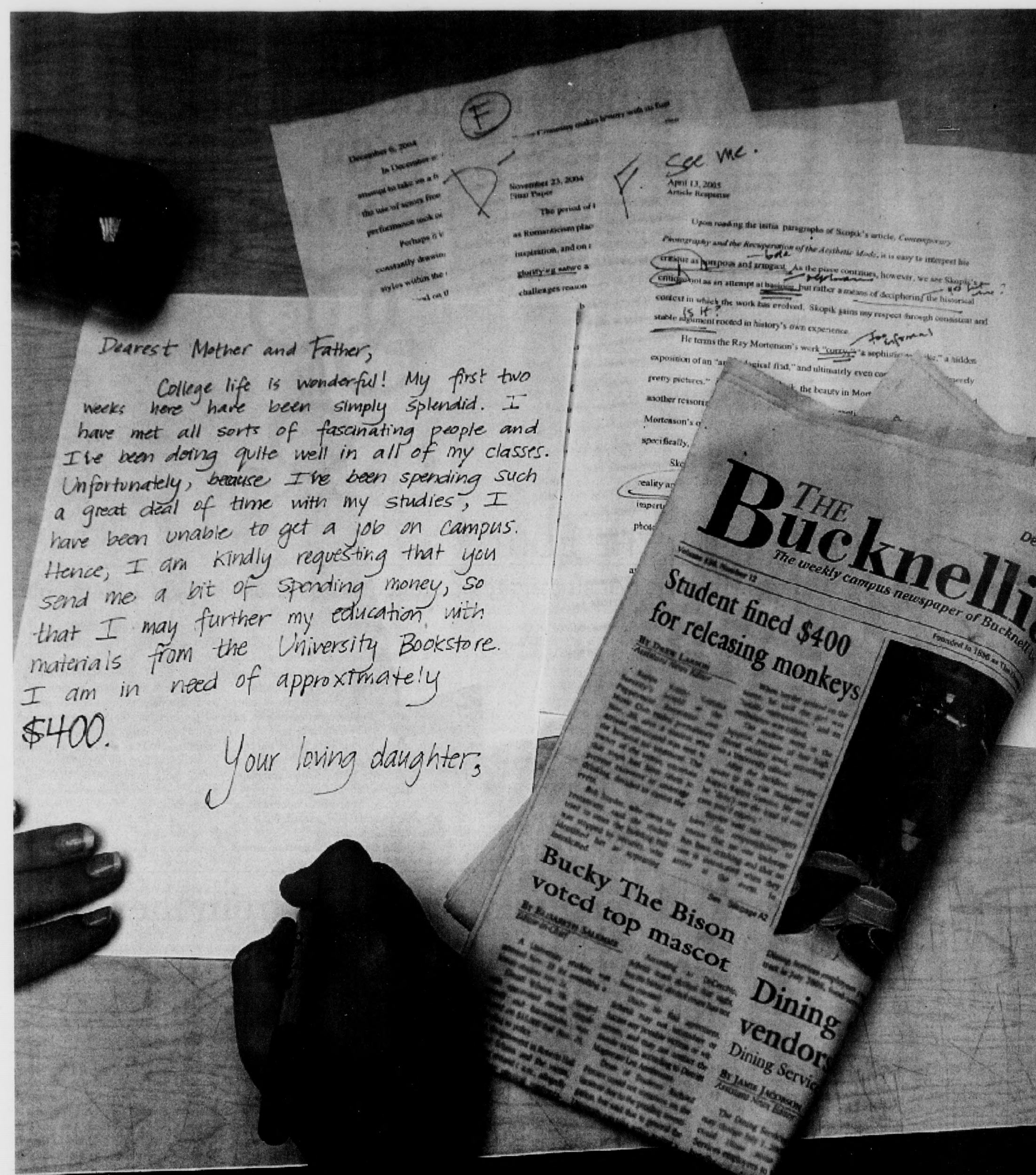
represent all students within a specific academic department. These students are responsible for contacting alumni working or involved in a relevant industry. After this program proved to be a success for the Environmental Studies students, this program has now expanded to over twenty academic departments.

But the success of this program was not only limited to better improving networking opportunities for current university students, but also in rebuilding relationships with alumni that have been disconnected. According to McBrayer, in a recent networking event organized by the Environmental Studies co-chairs, "the alumni were very excited to have the opportunity to connect with students."

The Office of Alumni Relations has another project, still in the developmental stage, that is aimed at revolutionizing much more than student-alumni relations.

B-Link, which is essentially an expansion to the interface of the University's homepage, will replace myBucknell as an alumni system and serve as a social utility, similar to the social networking Web site Facebook, with seemingly limitless capabilities. Without a set date, but in the short years to come, alumni will be able to set up a personal page or profile to connect with other alumni, maintain a blog, and have access to many other online services. In addition, students will have access to alumni to improve networking capabilities. When implemented this will mark the first point in University history that all students will have access to the alumni directory.

The team of Directors of Alumni Relations, lead by Laura Denbow, Executive Director of Alumni Relations and Career Services, believes that this will be the beginning of a radically new future that will bring a great deal to many students.



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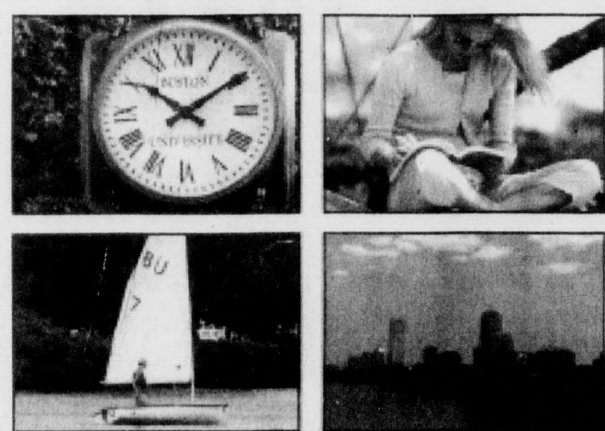
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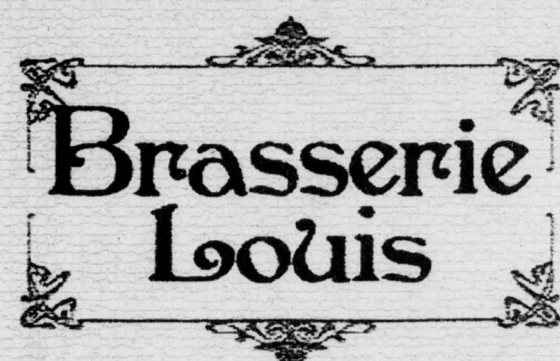


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EDITORIAL

B.U. Olympics: nice idea, poor execution

The B.U. Olympics, previously Greek Week, were designed to unite students who participate in Greek life with those who do not. After an extended deadline for team sign ups, turnout at events still remained low, even resulting in the cancellation of the volleyball tournament. Part of the idea was to mix Greeks and non-Greeks on teams, but as it turned out there were teams that were composed of a single fraternity or sorority.

Unity and inclusion are qualities that any university should espouse, but taking away Greek Week—a nation-wide and campus tradition—was not the way to do it.

Students who choose not to become Greek understand that there are events from which they are excluded. On the same

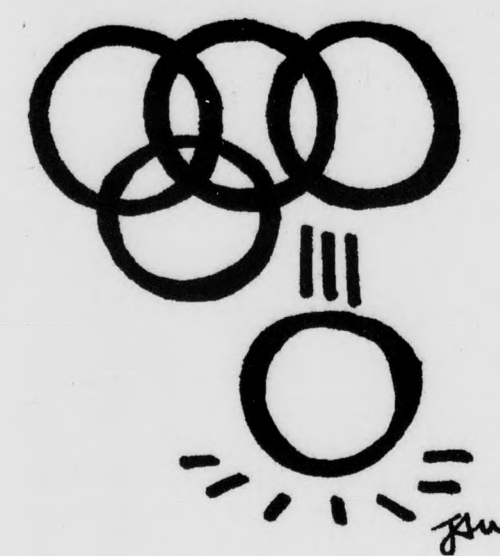
note, a non-engineer would not expect to participate during Engineering Week. Other majors may want their own week, but they would not expect Engineering Week to be taken away.

Why punish the Greeks for simply being Greek? There is a large number of Greek-affiliated students on campus, so taking something away from the Greek community would not likely promote Greek involvement.

There are plenty of opportunities on campus for Greeks and non-Greeks to interact. They do every day through classes, athletics, campus jobs and the staggering number of clubs on campus.

Having an Olympics-type event is a good idea, but only if constructed properly. One of the main problems with the event this year was the timing.

BU OLYMPICS



April is without question the busiest month of the academic year, with innumerable commitments for all University members. Not surprisingly, attendance at the events was low.

Why not have such an event in September, as a way to build unity to start a new year? Teams could be divided by dormitory hall, class year or major, among other options. Faculty and staff could be involved as well, with a potential University-wide field day. The beginning of the year is a great time for people to meet each other, helping foster the unity that was the event's initial goal.

While establishing B.U. Olympics was a nice gesture, it missed the mark. Greek Week should be reinstated and B.U. Olympics should take place at an earlier time in the year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Actual candidates, not surrogates

To the Editor:

I wanted to write and say that while I, like so many others around campus, loved to see the daughter of a presidential candidate grace our campus, I don't see why it was a big deal at all. Could you please inform me when an actual candidate, or even advisor with an actual role for a candidate makes their way to Lewisburg?

It would be one thing if the state of Pennsylvania was not a battleground for six weeks in the Democratic primary. But it is another when I turn on CNN to see Barack Obama speaking to

a gymnasium full of students at West Chester University. By no means am I trying to take away from West Chester as an institution, but when the out-of-state semester tuition there is a whopping \$6,472 (a staggering figure when looking at our semester expenses), it makes a student want to know how the University can try and call itself a nationally recognized university and then settle for a standing room question and answer session with the candidate's daughter.

Aaron Salsbury '08

Students should also be held accountable

To the Editor:

I was fascinated with the April 4 front page article, "Police incident report forms stress accountability." After reading the article, it was apparent that the accountability noted in the headline referred only to the police being held accountable for their actions and not the students. When you consider that during the past three years there has been but one formal written complaint submitted by a student to the Lewisburg Police Department, one has to wonder about Bucknell Student Government's (BSG) priorities and/or motives.

A year or so ago students worked hard

to publish an informational brochure describing students' off-campus housing tenants rights. When questioned as to whether they would consider including in the brochure the students' responsibilities as tenants there were looks of surprise but no reply. Perhaps BSG could spend some of its time, energy and leadership skills educating students about the importance of understanding and accepting accountability and responsibility for their actions as they move toward adulthood and independence.

Paul Mauer
Lewisburg, Pa.

Bucknell's diversity must change from the inside

By Caitlin Doolin
Contributing Writer

I am a white University student. Am I not diverse? What if I were in a wheelchair? Or gay? Am I diverse now?

The University is making a concentrated effort to put a spotlight on this issue and is striving to make our campus more "diverse." Let's consider what diversity actually brings to a campus. True, diversity creates an atmosphere filled with people from all walks of life. It brings different perspectives and forces students to learn to work with different types of people. That does not necessarily link to different races, which I think is highly confused on this campus.

Diversity stretches past the color of our skin and includes people from the projects, Beverly Hills and the great plains of Kansas. It embraces heterosexuals, homosexuals, people from

private schools and people from home schools. It is skinny people and fat people and, yes, it even includes white people. In the real world, one in every 10 people you know is gay, and Caucasians are a minority in large states like California and Texas. In the real world, you will have to work with people who cannot speak English like you, despite their accent. College is an important time to learn the life-long skill called acceptance, but many people live their entire lives ignorantly without it.

I never saw acceptance as an issue at our school first-hand until a recent guest lecture. The lecturer was from a foreign country and had received a B.A. and a Ph.D. in the United States. She spoke English at a slower-than-conversational pace and had a thick accent, but if you listened to her carefully, her words and

knowledge were clear. She was undoubtedly qualified, and the confidence it takes to give a professional presentation in a second language is probably something few of us will ever acquire. Yet, disappointingly, the only com-

Let's not fool ourselves into thinking that just because we do not personally consider ourselves prejudiced that we are accepting of others.

ments I heard on the speaker were complaints about her accent.

There was so much focus on what made her different that what she brought to the lecture was missed—not only the subject matter of her lecture, but also the life story of the lecturer, who traveled across the world to receive a Ph.D. in a second language. That's

pretty inspiring.

Let's not fool ourselves into thinking that just because we do not personally consider ourselves prejudiced that we are accepting of others. If the University is going to continue to diversify, it needs to do so in such a way so that diversity is finely integrated into a seamless norm on our campus.

While the number of minority students present at the University has increased dramatically, there are vital internal changes the school has yet to make that could increase the diverse experience students receive on campus.

The University's faculty need to be leaders in efforts for diversity on campus. When I was in New Zealand, each of my four professors was from a different country, and three of my engineering professors were women (which is more than I have had in all three years at the University). The diversity of faculty I experi-

enced studying abroad had a significant impact on my learning and brought new perspectives to my college experience.

Our faculty can and should be the meat of the diversity that students experience. Increased diversity amongst our faculty could have a ripple effect on the ability of University students to work closely with different people and open student's eyes to new perspectives. The University could open its doors to different student demographics by having its faculty represent different populations from which it desires to draw.

The University has taken on the responsibility to improve diversity on campus. However, this cannot be merely a game of numbers and percentages amongst the student body. The University must commit to a change in diversity from within before it can expect a change in diversity amongst the student body.

University badly handling the housing crisis

By Laura Berninger
Contributing Writer

As University students, we realize the price we pay to attend this institution is no bargain. Imagine being forced to pay not only for room and board on campus but also for a house downtown.

This is the overwhelming situation many rising seniors currently face, and needless to say, they're not happy. Why has this happened to such a large extent this year? I think the most apparent answer is the lack of communication on the part of the administration towards students.

As early as sophomore year, dozens of students signed leases downtown for off-campus living for senior year. While such behavior is discouraged by the University, students realize that in Lewisburg, only the early bird catches the worm.

For most students, with the exception of those who lose their off-campus living privileges for misconduct, it is rare they find themselves in this sticky situation—that is, until this year.

A few weeks ago, many students surprisingly found themselves in a bind when they received letters in their mailboxes saying

they had not been approved to live off campus.

Students claim this came as a shock; they had not been appropriately forewarned. This year seemed no different than any other in their communication with the Housing Office and other involved parties.

Junior Andy Logan, who found himself in this situation while studying abroad stated, "I went in to complete forms in a time that I still believed was appropriate and punctual for approval because I was unaware that this year the approval process would be so much more stringent. It is disconcerting that there was no prior notification to students what the limit for the number of approvals was going to be or even the recommendation of when to have the applications in by."

Even more disappointing on the part of the administration, however, is the way the situation is being handled now. With so many students trapped with their names on legally binding leases and also forced by the University to pay for housing, they are receiving little to no advice or assistance from the administration.

Some students claim they have e-mailed the deans of students and/or the off-campus living coordinator immediately upon re-

ceipt of their letters and still have yet to hear back. Especially for those already struggling financially, there's a rough road ahead for next year.

Obviously the importance of getting forms in early was not stressed enough nor was the risk associated with signing a lease in general. Many of those who were approved are now left with thousands of dollars on the line because of roommates who weren't approved and did not sign the lease. They are in as much of a quandary as those paying double.

Clearly something changed this year that put such a large number of students in this unfortunate situation. Had students been informed about this prior to a few weeks ago, perhaps this so called crisis could have been avoided and alternatives set in place.

A slap on the wrist with time to heal back in the fall would have been a lot better than the \$5,000 slap across the face students received instead just a few weeks ago.

I hope the school realizes that leaving a bad taste in the mouths of over a hundred seniors will undeniably affect the financial contributions they will make as alumni. I don't think that's a very effective business strategy. Do you?

To play or not to play: Beijing Olympics

By Fenna Wachter
Contributing Writer

As protests broke out in Tibet, the Chinese government reacted immediately. Tourists and journalists were ordered to leave the province, and all throughout China, journalists—who were already being watched closely—report that they are being controlled and constrained in their work even more intensely than before.

It is sad to see that many people were not very shocked or surprised. I know that I, as I heard of protests in Tibet, would have been shocked if Beijing had not resorted to drastic measures. After all, Tiananmen Square is still not talked about in China's schools, and it is no secret the Chinese population is surfing an Internet that is much more confined than the one we are used to.

The Chinese government expelled journalists and foreigners from Tibet in order to avoid reports of its expected brutal attempt to end the protests. In doing so, they have simply proven once again the rising economical power is not a democratic one. The government has justified its gathering of police and military forces by saying some Tibetan protesters used violence against Chinese. While this is sadly true, we should

still realize there would be no need to send away the international media if the government's intent was to simply arrest rioters in the street and give them a trial appropriate for their offense. The fact that we are not supposed to know what is going on in Tibet at the moment indicates quite clearly that the government in Beijing is anticipating a much more violent response. It is not necessary to recall the pictures from Tiananmen Square in order to imagine what the actions taken might look like.

That China, of all places, was elected to host the 2008 Olympic Games seems ironic. A country that constantly suppresses free access to information and free, democratic elections, is now hosting an event that was created within one of the oldest democracies in the world and has historically been a symbol of political and cultural exchange.

Perhaps it is the result of China's booming economy and some countries' dependence on extensive trade agreements that the world seems more than willing to look the other way when it comes to Chinese trespasses on human rights and the issue of Tibetan self-determination. But the decision has been made, and at this point no one would seriously suggest that the Games be canceled. Some politicians, however, are still considering boycotting the Games

and ordering their athletes to stay at home (much to the athletes' dismay).

This is not an appropriate response. By suggesting such actions, the governments of those democracy-loving Western states demonstrate they will uphold morals—so long as the price is right. As soon as the enforcement of these moral views has a trade-off attached to it (such as the termination of comfortable trading relations and the end of access to cheaply produced goods), they are much less willing to act. Instead, they take the least painful path, which still allows for some symbolic effects: Keeping one's athletes at home may be perceived as an insult in Beijing, but it does not constitute real pressure, which could only be achieved by the implementation of some serious sanctions. At this moment in time, the former is the only credible response that can be chosen.

Instead of contemplating wise sanction decisions, politicians have voiced the question of whether or not to play. I say play, because not to play would only belittle the situation. The oppression of freedom of speech and thought should be treated as what it is: a severe limitation on human rights. The absence of a handful of athletes at some sporting event is not the appropriate response to an act as grave as this.

Clinton's daughter stresses importance of political awareness

Lindsey Weller
Contributing Writer

I have never been the most politically aware or involved individual, but I do take pride in knowing the basics and making informed decisions about politicians and their policies, especially regarding the upcoming election. This is why I was very happy to have the opportunity to see Chelsea Clinton representing her mother, Hillary Clinton, here on campus last Thursday.

Chelsea was controlled and somewhat soft-spoken during her visit, but that did not detract from the important issues she discussed or her impressive knowledge about current public policy and her mother's hopes for the future. She answered questions from the audience on healthcare, the war, our strug-

gling economy, the housing crisis, education and gay and lesbian rights. But one question in particular stuck with me; a student pointed out that recently the University had been rated one of the most politically apathetic college campuses in the country, and asked what Chelsea had to say in response. She emphasized the extreme importance of the election process and of the upcoming one in particular.

The best part of her response was her statement that politics is everywhere, affecting everything and everyone. Each individual should take the process seriously and get involved, whether they do as much as go door-to-door for a candidate, or as little as read about that candidate online. Chelsea explained that because politics likely influences at least one issue you are passionate about, it is

important to research that issue and the candidate's positions regarding it, in order to pick the person who best represents and advocates whatever it is you believe.

At the time, I was not aware of our recent ranking (neither was Chelsea) and was very confused by it. How could a campus full of intelligent and motivated college students manage to show so little concern and interest for such an important event in U.S. history? Part of me was not surprised by the ranking, since most of us get caught up in the "Bucknell bubble"—a phrase which has become nationally known and associated with the University.

I'm sure the "Bucknell bubble" dynamic occurs on every college campus to some degree, but it is greater here because we are a smaller school in a

small town with relatively limited outside influence. As a result, we have to work harder to combat the effects of the bubble and make the University population more nationally and internationally aware and informed.

A good example of this is Bucknell Student Government's recent introduction of the USA Today Collegiate Readership Program, which provides free copies of The New York Times, USA Today, The Financial Times and hopefully The Washington Post in the near future. This program is a great way to begin changing the focus of the student body from primarily internal, to more balanced between internal and external affairs. Visits such as Chelsea's are also a valuable way to draw attention to the world outside the University. I hope that all students take advantage of these op-

portunities when they are presented.

I greatly appreciate the University's efforts to shed light on the upcoming election, the candidates and world events in general. Every election is important, but the one in November could be particularly historical, and therefore deserves extra attention.

I encourage all University students to actively research the candidates and their policies, so that on Election Day you not only vote, but you vote with a purpose. Your decisions will be based on what is important to you and what you believe in—the issues—instead of superficial evaluations.

I truly hope that the University's recent political efforts will continue in the future to help transform the University from a politically apathetic to politically enthusiastic institution.

Fighting America's newest scourge: junk food banned in schools?

By Brian Metz
Contributing Writer

Last February, an honor roll student and eighth-grade class vice president from Connecticut was suspended from school and disbanded from student council for purchasing a forbidden substance on school grounds. It's something we hear about more and more these days—the evil which has moved out of the inner city and into our suburbs. It is being used by younger and younger kids. We must stop this surge of Skittles.

(Wait, did he just say Skittles? The little gobs of sugar-coated sugar with the advertising campaign which tells us to "taste the rainbow"? Yes. Skittles.

According to the New Haven Register, the Sheridan Communications and Technology Middle School has banned the sale of any candy (including for fundraisers—sorry band, no trip to

Disney World this year) as part of a district-wide "wellness policy." What? A model student, who has not once gotten so much as an after-school suspension, was suspended and stripped of rank ... to keep him from getting too fat?

America's so-called "obesity crisis" is starting to have some rather negative effects, and I'm not talking about knee-replacement surgeries here. Candy sales are banned in Connecticut schools and birthday cupcakes are banned in Texas schools; Mississippi legislature considered a bill which would make it illegal for restaurants to serve food to any "obese" person.

Don't get me wrong, I have no problem if you want to lose some weight, or if you want your kids to lose weight. I should probably lose a few pounds myself. But when did we become so dependent on outside help that we can't lose weight without the government forcing

us to do so? Fat taxes, food bans, forcing restaurants to put warnings and calorie labels on menus—whatever happened to the American values of independence, freedom of choice and good old-fashioned personal responsibility?

Let's get back to banning foods in schools. Despite all my huff and bluster about Big Brother, surely the kids are better off with these bans, right? Even though these rules are anti-freedom, maybe that's OK if they are also anti-fat. Right?

If any school could truly keep all candy out of school, kids might lose weight (but I doubt it—read on), but just as fast as schools can ban the tasty sweets, enterprising youths with large backpacks and ample allowances are there to fill in the need.

That's right, there are thriving black market candy rings in today's middle schools. According to the Austin Amer-

ican-Statesman, these pushers can make upwards of \$250 a week selling black market bubblegum!

Apparently they aren't teaching my favorite subject in middle school anymore. In the eighth grade I wrote a research paper about the Prohibition Era and quickly learned that it is entirely impossible to ban something that people like. The government banned the sale of alcohol in the year 1919, and they've been making gangster films about it ever since. Luckily I don't think we will be seeing any turf wars on the playground anytime soon, but clearly if we must force our kids to stop shopping in the "husky" aisle, we need a new solution.

Studies have shown that total calorie intake has not changed much since the 60s. So even if we could successfully ban anything with taste from the cafeteria, our problem would likely not go away

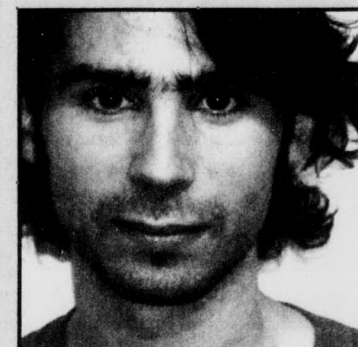
anyway. The key difference between fat kids today and skinny kids a half century ago is their levels of physical activity, primarily after school and on weekends.

To end this "obesity crisis" parents actually have to take some initiative here; there's really no way around it (unless we take the U.K. route of taking obese kids away from their parents. I shudder at the thought and so should you).

Instead of letting your kids veg out in front of the TV after school, throw them outside every once and a while. Heck, you can even go out and play with them. If all else fails, there have been many news stories about the health benefits of interactive video games such as Dance Dance Revolution.

The only way to keep the intrusive government out of our homes, schools and lives is to take responsibility for our own actions.

My Favorite Mistake

By Michael Dippery
Senior Writer

The other week, a few days before House Party, I made the grievous error of coming to The Bison around noon. I call it a mistake for several reasons. First of all, I was eating in The Bison. I know it's probably vague to complain about The Bison, but I'm going to do it anyway because I'm so sick of it.

My disgust has nothing to do with the people who work in The Bison or run it, or really anything to do with the establishment itself. The reason I've developed such an aversion is because I'm a senior, and I'm looking forward to getting out of here and eating a greater variety of food. By "greater variety," I mean macaroni and cheese. (Seriously, The Bison needs to get some mac 'n' cheese in there.)

Secondly, anyone who's ever been in The Bison around noon already knows it's a mistake. The place is packed. Fights break out over tables and chairs. This isn't the fault of anyone, really. It's the fault of physics: The place doesn't have enough interior space. Either we need to expand The Bison, or figure out a way to build it such that it has more interior volume than exterior volume.

No, the real reason it was a mistake to visit The Bison at noon on the particular day in question was not a matter of the mob inside The Bison (with which I am used to dealing), but the mob outside The Bison. There is, of course, a little thing called the "LC Mall" outside of The Bison where student groups cleverly set up tables and hawk their goods to hungry students. Most of the time, these groups get ignored (I know, because I've tried to sell stuff for clubs out in the Mall), but on the day in question, one table in particular was getting a lot of attention.

The thing that annoyed me the most was that I didn't know why. People don't line up for nothing—there's got to be a good reason, like T-Pain tickets.

The only reason I could think of was crack. Someone must be giving away crack. Only such a giveaway would provoke such a rabid response from the University populace.

Oh, in case you were wondering, the student group wasn't giving away free beer. They were

Scientology vs. Anonymous: cults, protests and the Internet

By Zak Marsh
Writer

As I emerged from the escalator at the D.C. metro stop at Dupont Circle one weekend in March, I followed a handful of people filing past me, wearing masks of Guy Fawkes, Darth Vader and aliens, down a block along 20th Street. There I saw it: the largest, loudest, most bizarre, enthusiastic throng of dancing, writhing, laughably dressed and crazily impassioned young adults I've ever seen congregated outside since the sorority pledges massed in Smith quad last fall.

This was no pledge week celebration or outdoor rave (though many had boom boxes blasting Rick Astley's "Never Gonna Give You Up" and the "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air" theme). This was Anonymous' Washington, D.C., protest of the Church of Scientology. I stood transfixed, mouth agape in bewildered awe.

Scientology you likely have heard of before—probably associated with Tom Cruise (the Church's best-known celebrity). L. Ron Hubbard, an artist, mariner, explorer, philosopher and prolific sci-fi author, founded the Church of Scientology (CoS) in the 1950s.

"Scientology is the study and handling of the spirit in relationship to itself, others and all of life," according to the CoS Web site. While it has a critical reputation as a strange cult and corporation rather than a religious institu-

tion, CoS presents itself as "the only major religion founded in the 20th Century."

Anonymous is much less widely known. It is a loosely organized, leaderless online group of hundreds of thousands of Internet users originating from various message boards and Web sites, most of which require anonymity to post (hence the name). Anonymous thrives on the principles of free speech, and members ("Anons") have no personal identity to which anything they say or do can be held. (They interviewed with me only anonymously.)

One Anon described the group as

"We shall ... dismantle the Church of Scientology in its present form."
YouTube declaration by Anonymous

"the best and worst of the Internet." With a varied history, including online hacking as well as helping police arrest pedophiles, generalizing about Anonymous as only good or bad is difficult. Mostly it is about having irreverent fun online.

"The Internet is [Anonymous'] playground," another Anon said. Anonymous tends not to take itself, or anything else, very seriously. That is, until the conflict with CoS.

In January, a nine minute video of

Tom Cruise speaking about Scientology leaked onto the Internet. It was edited from an internal CoS video to make Cruise and the Church look absurd and mysterious. CoS, under the Digital Media Copyright Act, tried to pull the video (unsuccessfully) from YouTube and other Web sites, and Anonymous protested this alleged censorship.

With CoS in its irate sights, Anonymous gathered information on it. Anonymous discovered from the Church's myriad of critics an abundance of alleged suspicious financial and litigious activity, rumored human rights abuses, purported murders and other behavior Anonymous found more in line with a cult or corporation than a religion.

Because of the censorship and for the above reasons and others, Anonymous proclaimed in a YouTube video to CoS, "For the good of your followers, for the good of mankind—and for our own enjoyment—we shall proceed to expel you from the Internet and systematically dismantle the Church of Scientology in its present form." So began what Anonymous calls "Project Chanology," their "war" against CoS.

Chanology began with a cyber-assault on CoS's Web site, shutting many of them down temporarily, as well as making prank phone calls and faxes to Scientology centers. CoS claims in statements and videos Anonymous is responsible for worse acts including bomb and death threats, vandalism and "mailing white powder" to Scientology churches, but Anonymous disputes these accusations.

On February 10 and again on March 15, Anonymous took their fight more directly to the real world, staging peaceful (if strange) protests in over 100 cities on five continents at Scientology centers and churches.

The goal was "to try and open the eyes of those manipulated by the greed and corruption behind this sinister cult," according to an Anon protesting in Clearwater, Fla. "If Anonymous keeps protesting, Anonymous will be able to raise enough awareness that the government will feel compelled to step in and investigate the cult further."

Over spring break, I attended the March 15 protest in D.C. to find out more and to write this article. As a rule, Anons protesting were almost always disguised or wearing masks, because (according to a pamphlet given to me there) CoS "viciously and shamelessly attacks anyone who attempts to reveal its corrupt, predatory truths." Anons said they felt the need to hide their identities for their own safety.

The protest was as much a spectacle as a call for action and attention to CoS. Dancing masked participants waved signs reading "Scientology Kills," "Tax Scientology" and "Honk if



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Protesters from the Internet group "Anonymous" demonstrate outside the Founding Church of Scientology in Washington, D.C. Some carried inflammatory signs accusing the church of committing "subversive" and "illegal" acts.

you think Scientology is a cult." Many passing cars honked.

CoS decries Anonymous' actions and efforts. "Anonymous is perpetrating hate crimes and hate speech," said Rev. Susan Taylor, president of the Founding Church of Scientology in Washington, D.C. "It's not humorous. We're taking this very seriously."

A CoS statement describes Anonymous as "not just anti-Scientology, it is

"Anonymous is perpetrating hate crimes and hate speech."
Rev. Susan Taylor

anti-freedom of religion and anti-free speech," and calls the group "cyber-terrorists" acting out of "religious bigotry."

An Anonymous handout at the protest proclaimed "We are NOT against the religion itself, only the practices by the church officials that are cruel, subversive and illegal." Anonymous found an ally in a Scientology splinter group called the Freezone.

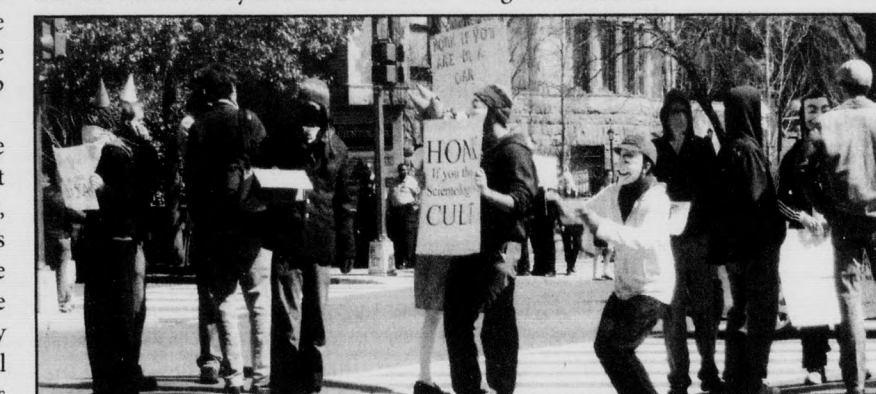
Freezone is "independently operated by independent scientologists who are exercising their right to free religious expression and practice and is not associated with the official church, and is neither endorsed by nor affiliated with

the Church of Scientology," according to the group's Web site. Believing CoS has departed from Hubbard's original teachings and philosophy, Freezone practices what it calls the "original philosophy" of Hubbard.

This conflict has important implications and raises some intriguing questions. How does a justice system prosecute crime by a global Internet group with unidentifiable members? What separates a financially successful faith from a business? Can an Internet mob successfully take down a real world institution? In what way is attacking an institution ideologically different from attacking its members or beliefs? Where is the line between cult and religion?

Both groups have valid points about the other, and this conflict is still unfolding—Anonymous is protesting worldwide again tomorrow. Rather than get swept up in the charisma of either side, I urge readers to think for themselves and do some digging for truth amidst the propaganda.

For more information on Anonymous and the fight against Scientology, visit www.xenu.net and www.forums.enturbation.org. For more information on Scientology, visit www.scientology.org and www.religioustolerance.org/scientol.htm.



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Some Anons used humor and satire to elicit supportive responses from passing cars and pedestrians. Signs included slogans such as "Honk if you're in a car" and "Honk if you think Scientology is a cult."



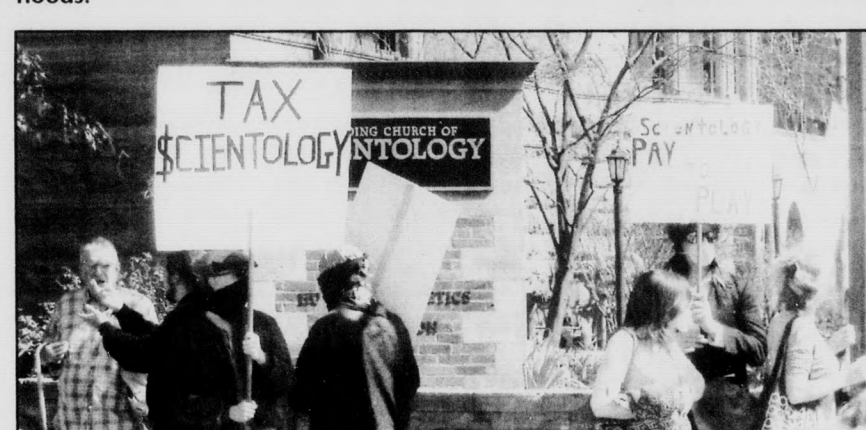
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Zak Marsh '10 interviews Anons eager to talk to the press and distribute information about their feelings about the Church of Scientology.



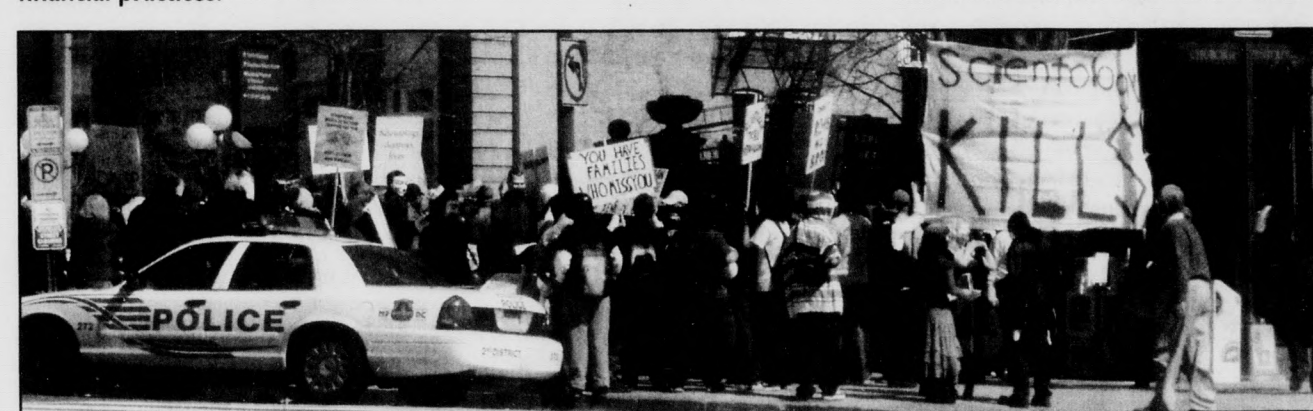
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Protesting Anons hid their identities with masks, bandanas, sunglasses and hoods.



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Many signs targeted the Church of Scientology's tax exempt status and financial practices.



Police were present at protests to ensure safety and lawful behavior.

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Senior writer Julia Fuchs searches for quality fiction to review.

"The Memory Keeper's Daughter" by Kim Edwards

Emotional and gripping novel follows desperate man's separate families

How far would you go to protect your family, your loved ones? Would you lie? Would you steal? Would you tear your family apart if you felt it was the best thing to do?

Kim Edwards' debut novel, "The Memory Keeper's Daughter," is a heartfelt drama of the split decision a man makes to protect his wife, and the consequences of that decision in the years to come.

Dr. David Henry, an orthopedic surgeon, and his wife Nora anxiously await the birth of their first child, when Nora unexpectedly goes into labor three weeks early. Unprepared, and caught in a staggering snow storm, David is forced to help with the delivery himself.

As a healthy boy arrives, David is ecstatic. But when his wife's contractions start again and a girl slips out "lifeless and gray-blue," David's world changes forever.

Everything goes to slow-motion as David waits for the baby to take her first breath.

This is a moving story of regret, compassion and what it means to grow up with a secret no one can ever find out.

When she does, the decision he makes is one that will haunt him the rest of his life: In an attempt to prevent his own past from creeping back and to protect his wife, he pushes the Down syndrome baby into the nurse's arms, commanding her to take the child to an institution for the mentally disabled.

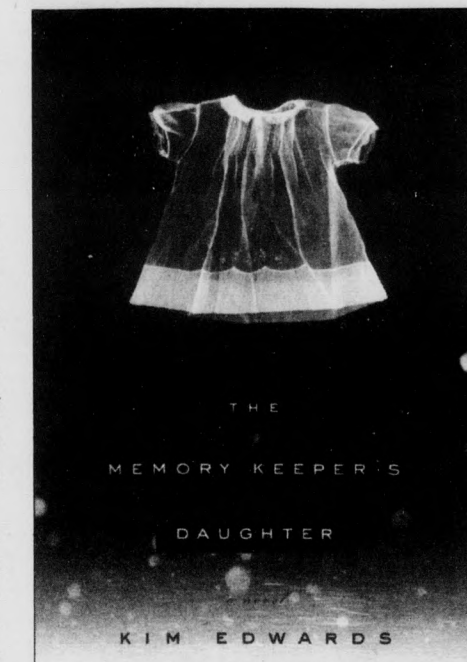
David tells his still-drugged wife their daughter was stillborn, and from that moment, hopes the matter is settled. Little does he know his problems have just begun.

"He had wanted to spare her to protect her from loss and pain; he had not understood that loss would follow her regardless, as persistent and life-shaping as a stream of water. Nor had he anticipated his own grief, woven with the dark threads of his past."

Instead of following instructions, the nurse, Caroline, makes her own fateful decision when she sees the horrors of the institution. She skips town with the baby in her arms. From then on, the novel splits, as the two separate "families" David created that first night continue in their own ways.

From the outside, the Henry family seems happy enough. Yet the relentless feelings of guilt leave David to inadvertently slowly ostracize himself from his family through his only means of stopping time: photography.

The constant fights between David and Nora lead their son to grow up confused and angry as he combats his own feelings



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of loss for his sister. Nora's continuing depression and inability to turn to David with her pains, turn instead to alcoholism and a series of short affairs.

Caroline battles through her own share of problems, trying to single-handedly raise a child with Down syndrome in a world with unreciprocated school systems, part-time jobs to make ends meet, and men who prey on her daughter's handicap.

Through the 25 years of the story, each set is still mysteriously but intricately bound to that defining moment at the birth. Never fully able to cast aside what happened that fateful night, one believes the lie she had been told, not wanting to accept it, the others fear the ultimate day they know the secret will come out.

Edwards transports her readers into the story with an uncanny ability to make them experience the same agonizing conflict, turmoil and pain these characters face.

At points the scenes are a bit too emotional and dragging, yet at others time seems to fly and the writing is not detailed enough. The opening scene and chapters are riveting and bursting with detailed description, perfect for gripping a reader right from the start.

The bang of an opening is what enables the reader to get through the middle, where years pass in only a few pages, and the momentum of the beginning seems to slip and fade into the background.

Edwards still has some learning to do in terms of balancing time in her novels. However, her writing is poignant and her story, sincere. Even if she still has some technical improvement ahead of her, her language and ability to make her characters genuine and alive with emotion has surpassed many a first-timers' attempts.

This is a moving story of regret, compassion, and what it means to grow up with a secret no one can ever find out: a story that readers won't put down until they reach the final page.



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Lead singer Michael Stipe, along with three other band members, founded R.E.M. Stipe's vocals round out this exceptional new album by the Athens, Georgia based band.

R.E.M. releases 14th studio album, blending old and new sounds

"Accelerate" might be rock group's best CD yet

By Richard Thornburgh
Staff Writer

The music of legendary rock band R.E.M. has been around since the late 1980s, and the group's new album, "Accelerate," seems to be a culmination of its long, hard work put in its previous albums.

While most groups from the 80s have produced nothing more than one hit wonder, R.E.M. has provided fans with a constant array of great music.

After being inducted to the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2007, the group set out to create at least one more album, "Accelerate," one of its finest, even after all of these long years.

With the coarse yet soothing sounds of lead singer Michael Stipe, the group has been able to create an album to grab fans' attention from start to finish.

The record starts out with "Living Well is the Best Revenge," a fast paced song even for R.E.M. But it captures the essence of the album right from the start. With lyrics recounting a man's struggles with the world looking in on

The CD as a whole has classic R.E.M. sounds to it, with hard alternative rock sound, mixed in with some hidden, softer gems really pulling the record together.

him, Stipe rips through this song with the help of standard R.E.M. sounds from guitars, perhaps sounding a little too grunge for the normal crowd.

"Man Sized Wreath" follows and has more of an uplifting lyrical fix than the previous song.

One of the better songs on the album, "Supernatural Superserious," has a great sound to it through and through, with less mumbling from Stipe and better background from the band bringing this song together.

Later in the album, the title track, "Accelerate," does a good job of living up to its name, providing an quickened version of alternative rock sound.



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"Until the Day is Done" is a track providing an equal balance of a folk-ballad sound with a softer version of a song you wouldn't necessarily hear on other R.E.M. albums, making it more enjoyable to listen to.

"Sing for the Submarine," "Horse to Water" and "I'm Gonna DJ" are the closing songs to R.E.M.'s 14th studio album.

"Sing for the Submarine" is my favorite song on the album, reminding me of the group's old work mixed in with keyboard and great vocals. There are two sides to this song that the band masters: the hard alternative rock sound mixed with smooth guitar sounds that follow between the chorus and reprise.

The last song on the album, "I'm Gonna DJ," is a hard nosed yet high-spirited song about Stipe's love for disc jockeying shows for his friends. This song could almost be a cliffhanger as to whether or not this will be the group's last record.

If you buy the album on iTunes, there are two bonus non-album tracks that are almost better than some of the songs on the actual album, as well as four live songs from a show R.E.M. performed in its hometown of Athens, Ga. If you're a big R.E.M. fan, I would recommend getting this package.

The CD as a whole has classic R.E.M. sounds to it, with hard alternative rock sound, mixed in with some hidden, softer gems really pulling the record together. I would recommend this disc both to any fan of the band and also to people looking for a good new CD to listen to before the stress of finals starts to hit.

Bucknell Symphony Orchestra to perform in Weis Center

Spring concert this Saturday will present classic pieces by Russian composers

By Sarah Hallowell
Staff Writer

The Bucknell Symphony Orchestra's spring concert will be showcasing a Russian-inspired medley of musical selections spanning nearly a century. The students will be performing at 7:30 p.m. this Saturday in the Weis Center.

Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov's Russian Easter Festival Overture will be the opening piece of the concert. Rimsky-Korsakov is one of the most famous composers from Russia and was a member of a well-known group of

19th century Russian nationalist composers called "The Five." His work is known for its signature folk and fairy tale sounds.

Written between 1887 and 1888, the melodies in Russian Easter Festival Overture are based on songs used in the liturgy of the Russian Orthodox Church.

Rachel Resnick '09, who plays violin for the piece, says this selection is her favorite of the concert.

"The beginning is very unique and beautiful, and the whole piece in general is very satisfying to play and listen to," Resnick said.

Capriccio Espagnol, also written by Rimsky-Korsakov, will be the second piece. Written in 1887, the Capriccio Espagnol is a five movement piece based on Spanish melodies.

The first three movements are upbeat and festive; they all

sound like music you might hear at a Spanish fiesta. The fourth movement is a gypsy song and features several solos. The fifth and final movement is a fandango, a dance from Northern

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Spain.

This piece also involves special techniques for strings, such as "quasi guitarra," where the string sections imitate the sound of guitars.

Capriccio Espagnol is sophomore French horn player Kate-lyn Chiles' favorite piece of the concert due to its melodious musical attributes.

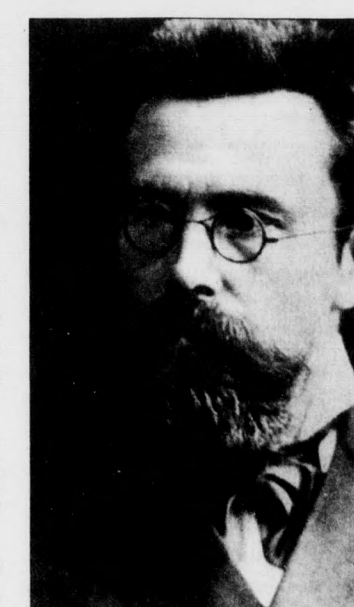
"It is fun and light," she said. "It keeps the audience in tune by offering many different musical ideas that all come together in the piece."

The third piece will be the last two movements from Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky's Fifth Symphony. Written in 1888, it is one of Tchaikovsky's more famous symphonies, which include Swan Lake, Sleeping Beauty and The Nutcracker.

Like many of his symphonies, the main theme of the Fifth Symphony is repeated several times in different keys.

The last piece will be excerpts from Dmitri Shostakovich's suite for the film "The Gadfly." Written in 1955, this piece is the musical score for the Russian adaptation of the novel, "The Gadfly," written by Ethel Lilian Voynich in 1897.

Several members of the orchestra are very excited to play



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Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov was a famous 19th century Russian composer. The Bucknell Symphony Orchestra will be performing two selections by Rimsky-Korsakov in their spring concert.

in the concert this weekend, especially senior violinist, Patricia Yu '08.

She comments, "I really enjoy the whole repertoire this semester and look forward to performing it as my last concert at Bucknell."

The Bucknell Symphony Orchestra meets Wednesday nights for three hours and performs two concerts in the fall and one in the spring.

"I like playing in orchestra because the time commitment is small and it offers a chance to play challenging but fun music," Chiles said. "It is also a good way to stay involved on campus and to meet new people who have similar musical interests."

Resnick agrees with her. "I like playing in the orchestra because it's nice to be part of a large ensemble of people from a variety of musical backgrounds," she said.

Spring concert review: success on stage

T-Pain tunes and classic Third Eye Blind hits amuse students and guests

By Blair Mathias
Contributing Writer

Between radio, television and our own Bucknell fraternity parties here on campus it would be difficult not to have heard T-Pain's music—even if you haven't heard of him by name.

A 2008 Grammy-winning artist, he is best known for singing alongside well-known acts such as Kanye West and Akon.

Still unable to fully convince anybody that he is able to compete as a solo act, T-Pain, his brightly dressed, charismatic crew and impressive DJ jumped on stage to begin the night.

Without surprise, most of T-Pain's set was a medley of popular hooks with which the artist has been (even slightly) related.

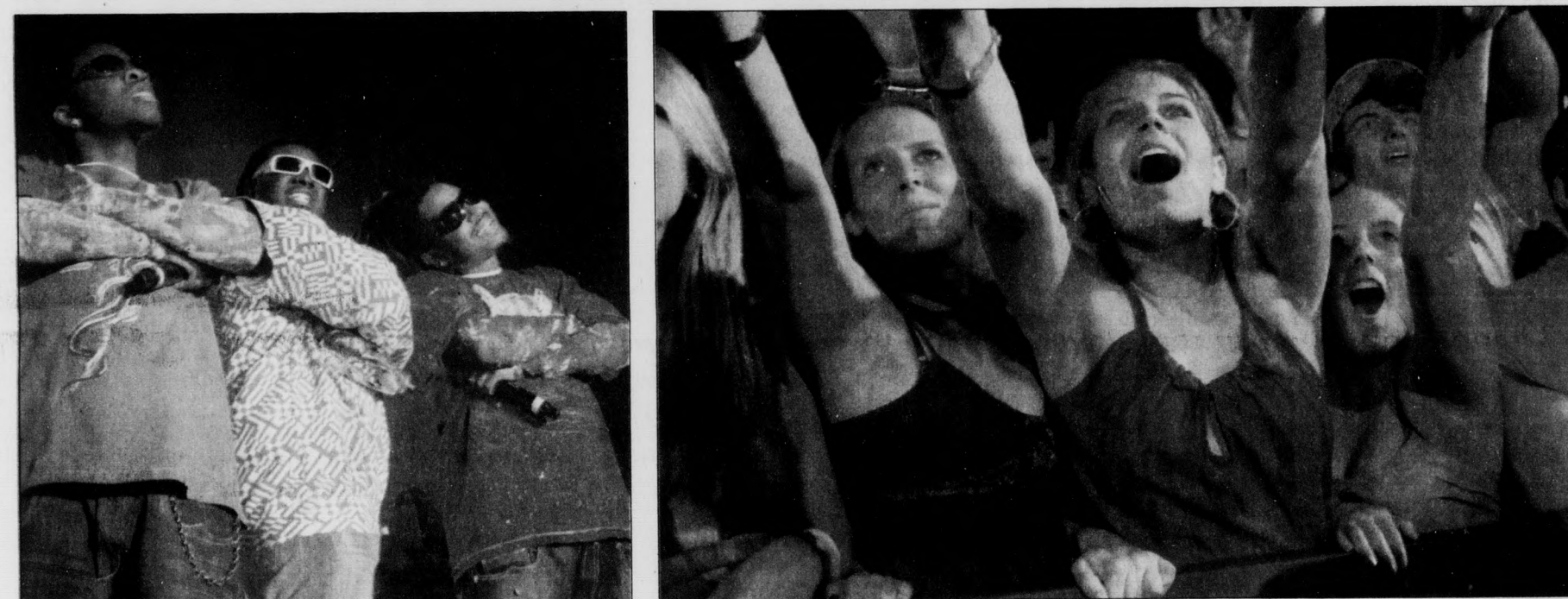
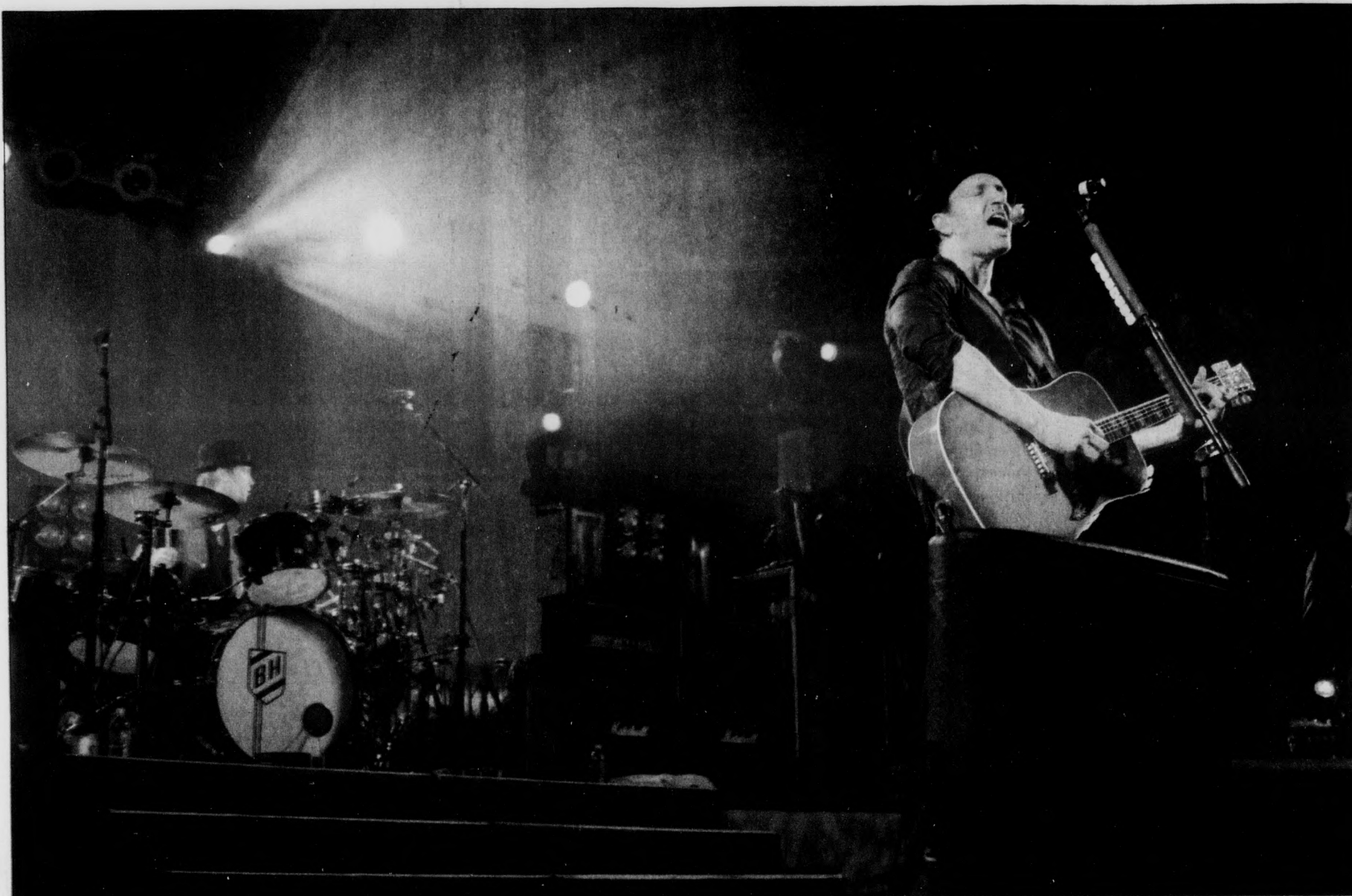
The last year in catchy, rhythmic hip-hop hits were covered, including "Low," "Buy You a Drank" and "Bartender." The crowd, especially those on the floor, responded accordingly by getting low, jumping and grinding. Since T-Pain covers the hits, concert-goers were impressively ignited into dance every time a new song began.

While students enjoyed the music and each other, T-Pain worked the crowd and checked out a genuinely excited audience. "Ladies look great tonight!" was repeated by T-Pain and his group throughout the concert.

Overall, T-Pain did his job by keeping college kids happy, but the stop and go playlist sounded reminiscent of an iPod power hour. Subsequently, T-Pain was plenty of fun but it was rather disappointing that no songs were carried all the way through.

For the many whose main act was not T-Pain, Third Eye Blind was up next. For those who hadn't forgotten the popular pop rock band, 3EB brought back the 1990s.

The band appeared ready to prove that it could rock and although band members failed to prove they had grown since their earlier years, they were very well-received.



Top: Third Eye Blind's lead singer Stephan Jenkins sings and plays acoustic guitar as Brad Hargreaves accompanies on drums. Bottom left: T-Pain and company were full of antics, including creative apparel and a DJ to start their act. Bottom right: Students were excited to be able to get up close and personal with the performers.

The band made an impressive comeback throughout Sojka Pavilion. Most everybody left the concert happy and the floor was moving—undoubtedly glad to dance again after T-Pain left stage.

The crowd held its breath through 3EB's new music; they hoped and waited for older hits. "3EB" lights flying around Sojka roused the crowd, and the band

even switched to a mini-stage for a throwback to its second album favorite—"Never Let You Go."

Everyone sang along—even if they didn't realize they knew the words, they probably did. Al-

though Third Eye Blind does still appear to be writing new, mediocre music, it certainly tours like it knows what it's doing.

All things considered 3EB was enjoyable and brought stu-

dents back to younger days. The group ended the night with popular favorites such as "Semi-Charmed Life" and "How's It Going to Be?" so, of course, everyone left pleased.

Student-directed play critiques 1980s England

Senior project produces "The Secret Rapture"

By Wendy Schibener
Writer

While hardly a mood-lifter, "The Secret Rapture," presented by the department of theatre and dance, is definitely worth your weekend time.

The script, written by David Hare in 1988, is deeply psychological and moving, making intricate criticisms of the political atmosphere of 1980s England.

The play centers on a dysfunctional family. Sisters Marion and Isobel deal with the loss of their father, Robert Glass, while simultaneously caring for their alcoholic stepmother, Katherine.

Isobel is manipulated by her sister and brother-in-law to hire Katherine to work in her small design firm, which soon begins to disintegrate.

The truth of human nature is revealed through the manipulations, attempts for personal gain and failures of the family, creating an extremely disturbing yet entertaining presentation on the Harvey M. Powers stage.

"Hare's humanistic and highly

charged political drama focuses on many of the social, ethical and psychological concerns of the 1980s in England and America," said Robert Gainer, associ-

Each character is so intricate that the audience will become deeply engrossed in the constant ups and downs of the plot.

ate professor of theatre.

The play is directed as a senior honors theatre project by Emily Penick '08. Aspects of the play's execution were designed by three faculty designers: sets by Elaine Williams, professor of theatre and dance, costumes by Paula Davis, associate professor of theatre and dance, and lights and technical direction by Heath Hansum, lighting design/tech director.

If the play's plot is not provocative enough to draw a crowd, the design of the set and lighting should definitely be incentives.

Brand new to the University stage, Williams has incorporated full stage wagons which transport the seven different scenes off and on stage. Aesthetically, the stage is spectacular, with



Three students act in "The Secret Rapture." The play is directed by senior Emily Penick as her senior honors theatre project, and the sets were designed by three University faculty members.

dark wood paneling covering every angle of the set.

"When the play was chosen, we knew we would have to meet the technical challenges of so many scene changes," Williams said. "We're so excited to use this technology."

"The set is simply the most

impressive thing Bucknell has ever seen ... It's like we've got a little slice of Broadway right in our own Harvey M. Powers Theatre," Penick said.

In terms of acting, the small cast leaves nothing to be desired. Each character is so intricate

that the audience will become

deeply engrossed in the constant ups and downs of the plot.

"When you read David Hare's insightful and beautifully crafted dialogue, you are completely transported to the fascinating lives and complex relationships of his characters," Penick said. "The characters of 'The Secret

Rapture' are the most real and truthfully complex I have ever come across."

In addition to talented acting, the Theatre and Dance Department kept the play extremely authentic. Trained by Pennsylvania State University professor and dialect coach Barry Kur, all the University actors use British accents throughout the performance.

"Emotion is expressed completely differently with a British accent," said Rachael Pearce '10, who plays the role of Katherine. "It's all about how you pronounce consonants."

Stacey Peterson '08, who plays the role of manipulative Marion, also thought the accents made a large impact on the piece.

"If I was playing an American character, she would be all over the place with emotion—outwardly cruel. With a British character, she still acts prim and proper with only slight changes to express her emotion," Peterson said.

David Hare's "The Secret Rapture" will be presented April 11, 12, 13 and 14 at 8 p.m. in the Harvey M. Powers Theatre of Coleman Hall. Admission is \$8, or \$6 for senior citizens and students. Tickets are available at the Campus Box Office.

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No. 11 Bison stifle Black Knights

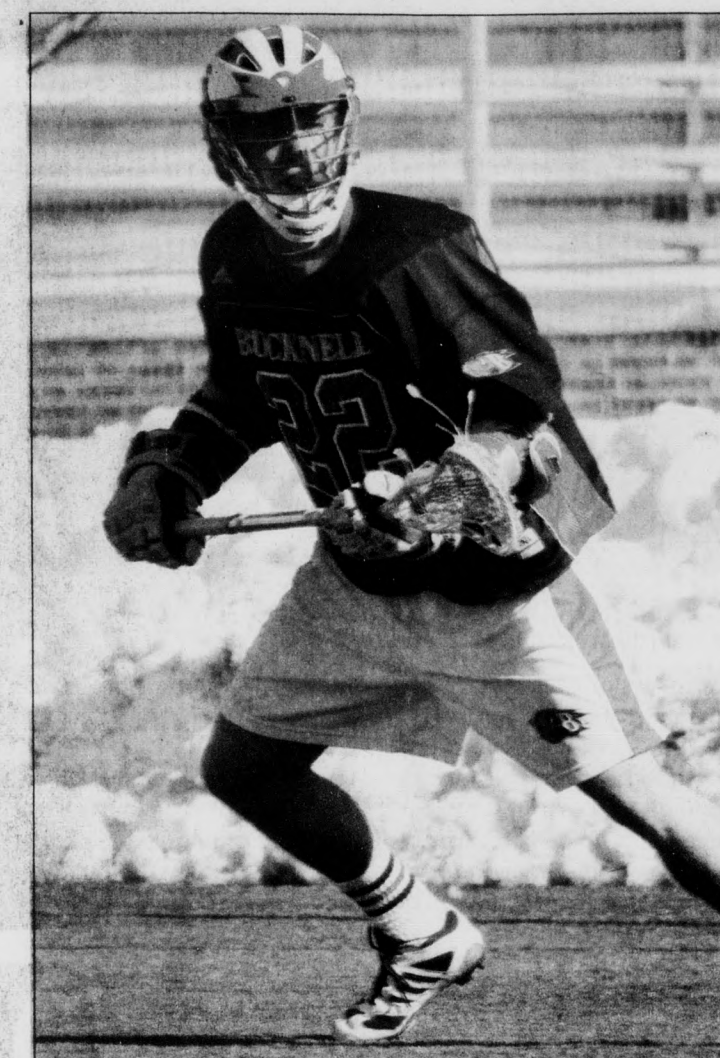
Strong defensive effort guides men's lacrosse team to crucial 7-4 win over Patriot League foe Army

By Wes Trowbridge
Sports Editor

The men's lacrosse team defeated No. 17 Army (7-3, 3-1) 7-4 in front of a rowdy crowd of 1,150 fans at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium Friday night. A dominating defensive effort and a break out performance by face-off specialist Rick Carolan '08 propelled the Bison to a 6-0 lead at half and never allowed Army to threaten for the lead.

The Bison (8-2, 3-1) are now ranked No. 11 in the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association coaches' poll and tied for second behind No. 6 Navy (9-2, 5-0) in Patriot League play. The University has not been ranked higher than 11th in the USILA poll since 2001 when they were ranked ninth and won the Patriot League Championships en route to a berth in the NCAA Tournament.

The Bison struck early as Doug Buckley '09 found Tim Brandau '10 for a goal in the first minute of play. Buckley then scored before Mike Danylyshyn '11 scored his third goal of the season on an assist from Joe Mele '09 in the second to increase the lead to three.



Mike Danylyshyn '11 is one of the three rookie lacmen to play in all 10 games this season, notching eight total points.

The turning point in the game came with three minutes remaining in the first half when Brandau fired a behind the back shot past Army goalkeeper Adam Fullerton off of a pass from Danylyshyn to make the lead 4-0. An energized Bison attack scored twice more in the final 2:00 of the half to firmly swing all momentum away from

"Our face-offs have been improving all year and we know that we have to have success in that area to win a championship." Frank Fedorjaka Head Coach

the Black Knights.

In the second half, the Bison coasted to victory. Danylyshyn had the only goal for the Bison midway through the third period and the defense staved off a desperate rally from Army in the final eight minutes.

The starting defensive unit, comprised of Billy Haire '09, Tom Izard '09, co-captain Evan Burns '08 and goalkeeper Nick Sciubba '09, played a near perfect first half and has really found its stride in

the last few games. The unit has held their opponent to four goals or less in three out of its last four contests and has shut out their opponent in four of their last eight quarters played.

"I think we're playing the best defense we've played all year right now. Sciubba's been at his best the past few weeks and we as a defense are just playing more and more together as a unit," Burns said.

Sciubba posted 10 saves in the victory, and Evans tied Carolan and long-stick midfielder Scott Monfort '10 for the team led with four ground balls.

Carolan, who has evolved into an effective face-off specialist, took all 15 face-offs for the Bison and won 11 of them.

"Our face-offs have been improving all year and we know that we have to have success in that area to win a championship. Rick has been instrumental in that progress and he had his best game of his career against Army," Head Coach Frank Fedorjaka said.

The Orange and Blue jumped out to an early lead thanks to a balanced scoring attack led by midfielder Danylyshyn, a con-

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Softball takes five out of six

Orange and Blue win series over Colgate three to one; sweep St. Francis

By John Mlodzinski
Senior Writer

After winning four of its last six games, the women's softball team has made a statement that it is a force to be reckoned with in the Patriot League.

"The energy on the field and in the dugout is incredible. We go into each game with enthusiasm and confidence," Elyse Colmenero '11 said.

Over the weekend, Colgate came to town for a four-game series. On Saturday, for the first time in nine years, the Orange and Blue swept a doubleheader against Colgate. The team clicked on all cylinders as it outscored Colgate 13-3 on the day.

Christie Wiest '08 took the mound in

Bucknell 5
Colgate 0

game one. She had a perfect game through five innings and ended the day surrendering less than five hits and no runs through seven innings. The Bison had some clutch hits to help Wiest pick up the victory.

"We're scoring a lot more runs and stringing a lot of hits together for big innings. Our enthusiasm is awesome, and I think that is definitely one of the reasons we're hitting when it matters and leaving fewer runners on base," Cassie Lloyd '09 said.

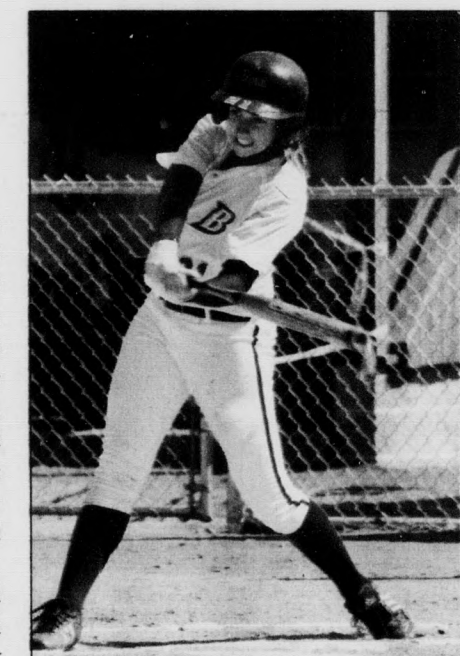
In the first inning, the Bison pounded out four RBI singles to give Wiest an early four-run head start. The Bison added an insurance run in the second when Ashley Carlson '09 scored on an RBI single

by Erin Curatola '08.

The second game started off slow for the Orange and Blue. The Raiders struck first with three early runs. The lead did not last as eight consecutive players reached base for the Bison in the bottom of the fifth, giving them an 8-3 lead. Katie McDonald '09 picked up the win for the Bison. She went the distance for the team, spreading out seven hits, five strikeouts and two earned runs over seven innings.

On Sunday, the Bison again faced Colgate in a doubleheader. The team pounded Colgate with 28 hits, but only managed a split in the twin bill. The Or-

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Lauren Fry '11 boasts a .341 batting average on the season.

Women's rowing sweeps Buffalo

Bison dominate Bulls in home debut; place first in five way meet in Fairfax, Va.

By Eric Weiss
Writer

What began as a cold blustery Saturday morning turned hot quickly as the University's women's rowing team competed a full sweep of the Buffalo Bulls on their home course, the Susquehanna River.

"We have been working to improve our preparation for and execution of race day. Again, winning races is fun and good, but the key for us is to use what we learn and find a way to improve for the next weekend." Stephen Kish '92 Head Coach

'10, Kim Weaver '10, Stephanie Frank '11, Elizabeth Barnett '11, and Allison Martens '11 were victorious by an impressive 55-second margin.

The premier event, the first varsity eight, was not contested on Saturday because Buffalo sent their first varsity eight rowers to California for a Regatta. The Bison were able to rest most of the women in that event and instead formed the aforementioned lightweight varsity eight to compete.

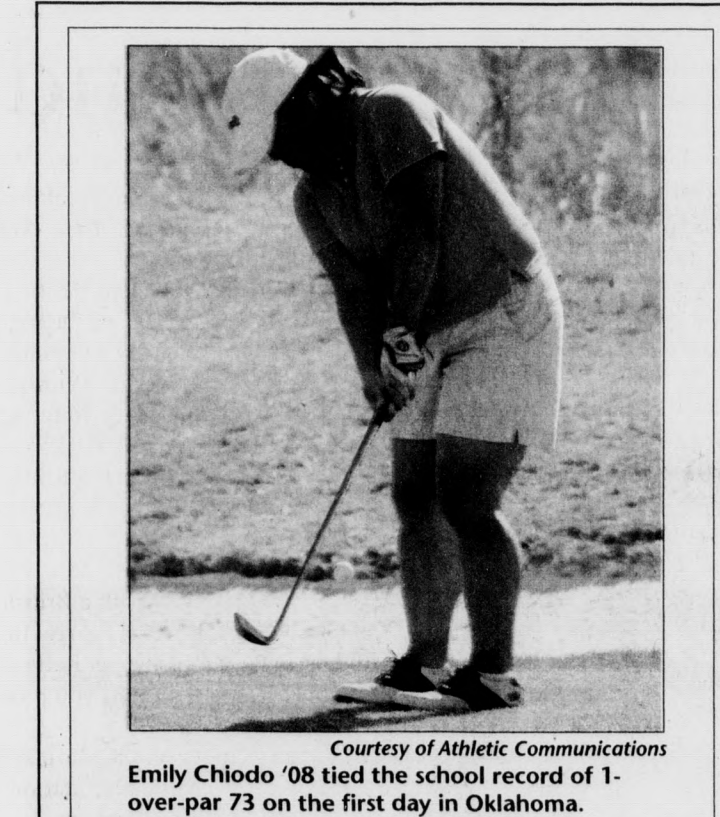
Less than 24 hours later the team boarded a pass headed to Fairfax, Va. to face Dayton, Georgetown, George Washington and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). After a hard day of travel, the women won 12 of 13 races, some by impressive margins.

"We have been working to improve our preparation for and execution of race day. Again, winning races is fun and good, but the key for us is to use what we learn and find a way to improve for the next weekend," Head Coach Stephen Kish said.

The race setup saw the women race two opponents in the morning and two more in the afternoon. The most impressive victo-



Courtesy of Katie Strum
The women's crew team will travel to Cherry Hill, N.J. to compete in the Knecht Cup on the Copper River on Sunday.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Emily Chiodo '08 tied the school record of 1-over-par 73 on the first day in Oklahoma.

Golfers set school records

By Jon Campbell-Copp
Senior Writer

The women's golf team posted some impressive scores last weekend, breaking several school records en route to a 13th place finish at the Susie Maxwell Berning Classic in Oklahoma.

Playing amongst the top players in the nation, both Emily Chiodo '08 and Kristin

Phalen '08 tied a school record by each carding a 73, while the team broke the 18-hole, 36-hole and 54-hole program records in succession.

"After shooting the best three rounds of our entire season, I think we have finally proven to ourselves that we have the ability to compete with the best," said Chiodo. "Our success at Oklahoma is a reflection of the

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Baseball struggles at Towson and Lafayette

By Kenny Black
Writer

The men's baseball team lost Tuesday afternoon at Towson by a score of 14-5 to cap off a five-game stretch that included just one victory. With the loss, the Bison's record falls to 14-15-2 on the season.

Towson jumped out to an early 12-0 lead after five innings of play. The Orange and Blue finally got on the board in the top of the sixth after John Avanzino '10 singled up the middle, advanced to third on a double by Zachary Brown '09 and scored on a wild pitch.

Ben Allen '10 swatted his first career home run in the top of the seventh to make the score 13-2. The Bison plated three more runs in the eighth inning but the Tigers proved to be too much to handle. Doug Shrimman '11 received the loss (0-2), pitching two innings and giving up three runs on six hits.

The Bison dropped both games of their doubleheader at Lafayette Sunday afternoon. In game two, the Orange and Blue cut the lead in half in the top of the seventh. Shawn Hirsch '08 singled to advance Andrew Brouse '10 to second before a sac

fily moved Brouse to third and later scored on a wild pitch to make the score 2-1.

Lafayette shot down the Bison the rest of the way, as they would go on to win game two 2-1. Dylan Seelye '11 pitched eight strong innings but received the loss (2-1). Seelye scattered nine hits over eight innings, striking out six batters and giving up just one earned run.

In game one, the Orange and Blue found themselves down 8-0 after five innings.

Mark Angelo '08 responded in the top of the sixth with a two-out, two-run homer, which cut Lafayette's lead to six. In the seventh Brown went deep to score Chris Pieper '08. With two out, Dane Grandizio '09 slapped an RBI single up the middle, plating Allen.

However, the Bison's rally fell short, as the Bison lost by the score of 8-5. Andrew Clarke '10 worked 2.1 innings before being pulled and received the loss (0-3). Clarke surrendered five runs on two hits with four walks and two strikeouts.

It was frustrating that we lost two pitcher's duels Saturday and Sunday; our team battled hard and our starting pitchers gave us a chance to win but things didn't fall our way. One positive to take away

from last weekend was the outstanding performances of Dylan Seelye and Eric Jarrett '11. Both have pitched deep into games and put us in a position to win every time out," Dave Solan '08 said.

On Saturday, the Orange and Blue split its doubleheader against the Leopards.

In game two, the Bison jumped out to a 4-1 lead after three innings. Grandizio crossed

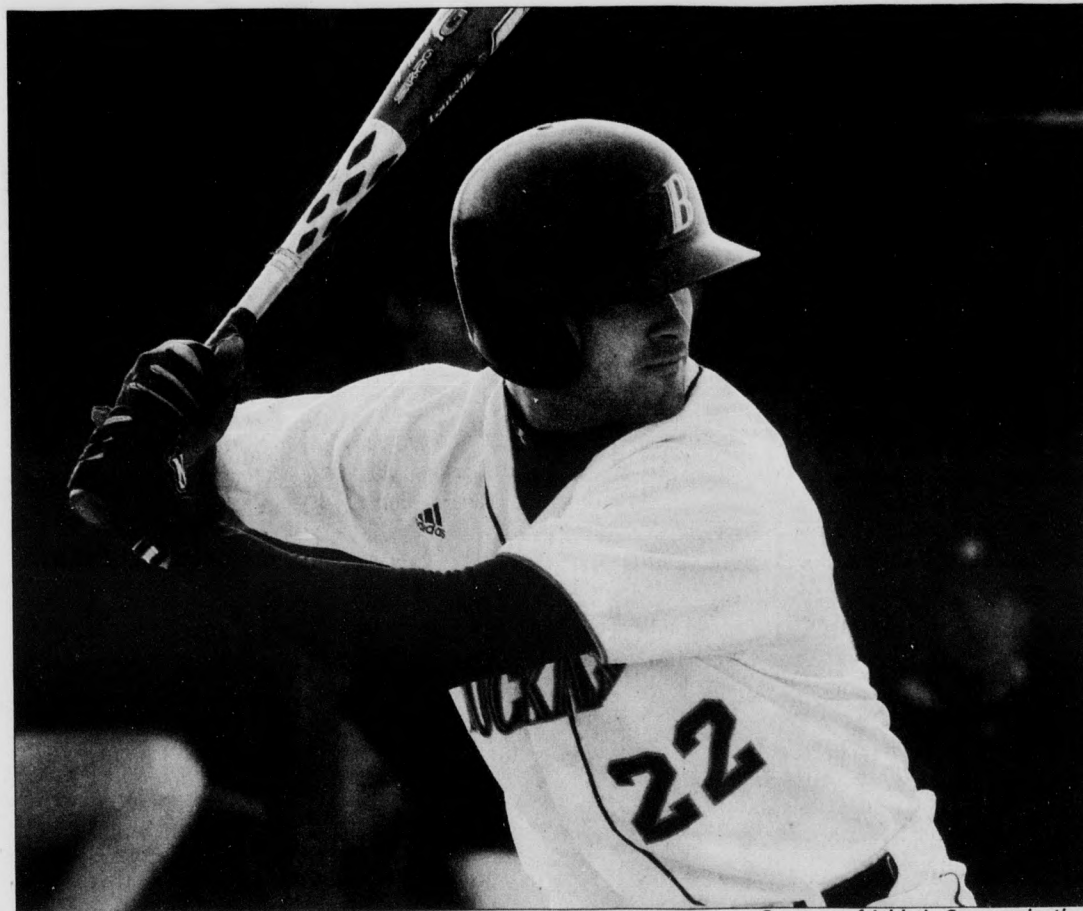
the plate on a wild pitch after reaching base on a fielder's choice sacrifice bunt in the first inning. Eddie Rubbo '08 tacked on another run in the second with an RBI groundout that scored Austin Turban '08.

In the third, Angelo jacked his first career home run, a solo shot with two outs. Jason Buursma '08 reached base on an error and then scored on an error.

The Orange and Blue poured it on in the ninth, scoring six runs to make the score 10-2. After RBIs by Grandizio and Buursma that scored Allen and Ben Yoder '10, Turban stepped up with the bases loaded and two out and went yard for a grand slam.

Jarrett collected the win (4-2), tossing eight innings and giving up two runs on 12 hits with three walks.

In game one, the Bison fell to Lafayette 1-0, as the Leopards



Jason Buursma '08 currently holds a batting average of .427, which is the best on the team among players who have more than 20 at-bats.

Lafayette 1
Bucknell 0

scored their only run in the first inning on an RBI groundout. Buursma looked phenomenal from the mound, going the distance. He struck out a career-high nine batters and al-

lowed just three hits, but received his first loss of the season (4-1). The Orange and Blue are now 4-4 in Patriot League play and are getting set to host Holy Cross Saturday in a doubleheader beginning at noon on Depew Field.

Jim Murphy '09 said, "With

three weeks left to go in the season, we are in position to make a strong push for the Patriot League Tournament. If we maintain a high level of focus and energy from the first pitch to the last, we will be very satisfied with the results."



Ira Reibesen '08 received First Team All-Patriot League honors last spring with a 12-9 at the No. 1 singles spot.

Tennis squads combine for 3-2 record on weekend

By Jordan Brodski
Senior Writer

The men's and women's tennis teams were a combined 3-2 this past week with the men going 1-1 with a victory over Colgate, and women going 2-1 with victories over Colgate and Lehigh.

The women's team opened up its three match week and Patriot League season with a 5-2 win over the Raiders of Colgate on Saturday. The Bison picked up the doubles point as all three doubles teams won their matches. On the singles side of things, the Bison took four of six from the Raiders. Three of the four singles wins for the Orange and Blue came from Dara Dwojewski '11, Lauren Rottkamp '11 and Lauren Lucido '11.

Continuing their Patriot League season, the Bison women defeated Lehigh on Monday 5-2. The Orange and Blue was once again solid on the doubles side as they swept the Mountain Hawks. Tania Varela '10 won her number one singles match over Allison Schwartz 6-4, 7-5. Paulina Gamboa '09 beat her opponent at the number four position, Carlin Calcaterra '10 defeated Ruthie Furman 6-2, 6-4. Rounding out singles play, the Bison's leader in singles victories this spring, Rottkamp defeated Stacey Reich 6-2, 6-2. Lucido leads the team in doubles victories with eight and believes that these two wins to start the season will be crucial to their success as the season progresses.

"When we perform well as a team and win these matches, it's a real boost of con-

fidence and determination, which is going to be vital when we play Army this weekend," Lucido said. "As a whole, our team is both playing and competing really well and we're excited to get out there and

"Colgate has beaten us each of the last six years, and to finally come away with a win...it was a huge boost for our program, our confidence and our level of play."

Mark Malloy '11

give it everything we have against Army, which we'll definitely need to do in order to win."

Unfortunately, the women couldn't keep their winning streak alive as they fell to Pittsburgh on Tuesday 5-2. The Bison were swept in doubles and were only able to pick up two of the six singles matches. Lucido defeated Sabrina Vistram 6-0, 7-6(3) at the number two spot. Rottkamp continued her winning ways on the season as she defeated Carlie Smith 6-1, 3-6, 7-5 at the number five slot. Rottkamp now has a team high nine singles victories.

The Bison women hit the road this weekend as they are slated to play the Black Knights of Army on Saturday and then the Lafayette Leopards on Sunday.

The men's team opened their two-match week with a 4-3 upset win over the Raiders of Colgate Saturday. The win

snapped the Bison's three match losing streak, giving them their first win in Patriot League play as they move to 1-1.

Although Colgate took the doubles point by winning two out of three, the Orange and Blue were able to take four of six singles matches. After Ryan Sandburg '09, Jonathan Brenner '09 and Mark Malloy '11 dispatched of their opponents in straight sets, Zach Hascoe '10 brought the win home for the Bison as he defeated Tyler Deck 7-6(4), 7-6(4).

"Any Patriot League win is big, but getting one from Colgate is especially important because we have had a lot of trouble with them in the past," Malloy said. "After losing the last few matches closely, our team needed to step up and take one from a big time team in our league, and that's what we did. Colgate has beaten us each of the last six years, and to finally come away with a win is definitely a big step for our program. This win was a huge boost for our program, our confidence and our level of play."

The Bison continued the week Wednesday as they traveled to Penn State where they fell 7-0. The Nittany Lions swept doubles and

proceeded to win all six singles matches in straight sets. Anton Kovic '11 put up the biggest fight as he lost to Ryan Gormley 7-5, 6-4. Sandburg leads the Bison in singles wins this season with nine while Malloy leads the team in doubles wins with 10.

The Orange and Blue continue their road trip this weekend as they take on Army on Saturday and Lafayette on Sunday.

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Water polo drops two close matches

No. 20 Orange and Blue loses two one-goal affairs to Princeton and Brown

By Ellis Hudes
Senior Writer

The Bison lost two nail biters last weekend to Princeton and Brown, ending their eight-game winning streak in the process. These were the first defeats to unranked opponents all season and left the Bison with a 22-6 mark, 3-1 in CWPA Southern Division play.

"We control our own destiny," Head Coach John Abdou said. "We have the ability to beat anyone on the east coast, which includes ourselves."

Against Brown, the Orange and Blue let a 7-3 fourth quarter advantage slip away and were forced into overtime. Brown won on a heartbreaking penalty shot with no time remaining in the overtime session.

The Bison repeatedly failed to capitalize on six-on-five opportunities, which allowed the Bears to steal the momentum toward the game's conclusion.

Kandis Canonica '11 and Aubrey Rowe '09 each scored three goals while Haley Prickett '11 led the team with three assists.

Princeton 7
Bucknell 6

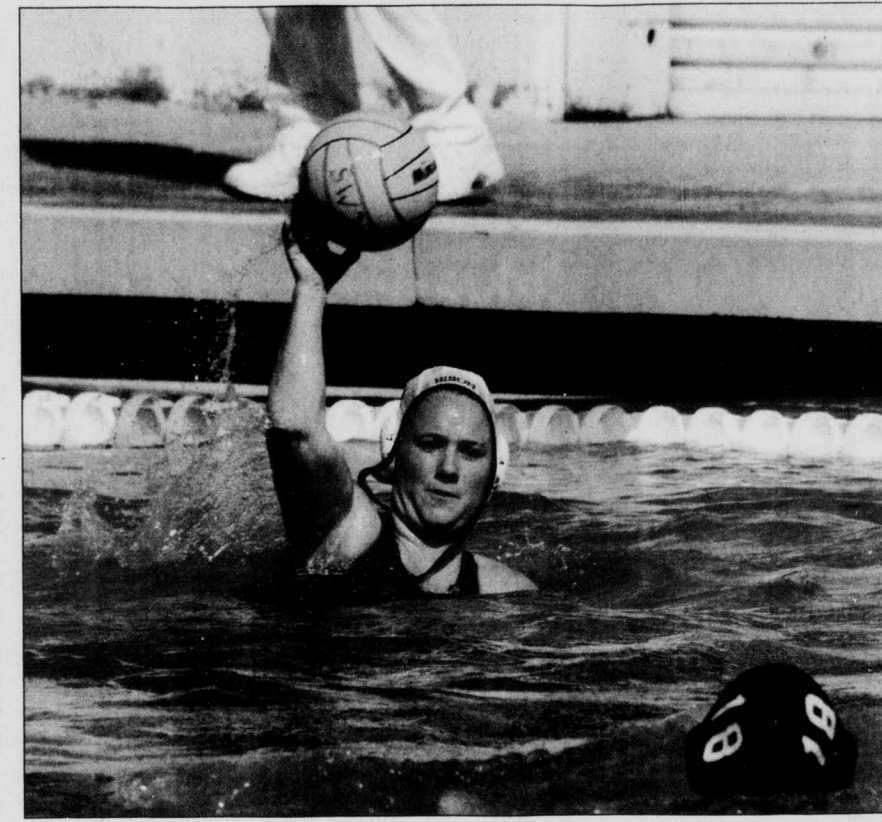
On the other end, goalie Alison Carter '10 tallied nine saves and two steals. Prickett, Rowe and Shana Palencia '10 had three steals apiece.

Princeton was able to exact its revenge against the Bison for the loss at Kinney Natatorium two weeks ago.

The Orange and Blue were forced to come back from 7-4 down after the third quarter. A fourth quarter rally fell just short as Princeton escaped with a 7-6 victory. Five different players scored goals for the Bison and Carter had another seven steals to pace the defensive effort.

"We did not execute in the way we had hoped, however we know what we need to fix and work on in order to play our best water polo in the next few weekends," Rowe said. "Although these losses were tough to take, they do help us to know what we need to fine-tune for the rest of the season."

The Bison look to wrap up the regular season on a winning note with contests on the road against George Washington, Michigan and Maryland over the weekend.



Meagan Gins '08 has posted 45 goals and 34 assists this season with career totals of 225 goals and 103 assists.

Track and Field competes against SEC opponents

By Brian Mulligan
Sports Editor

The track and field squad sent a select group of athletes to compete against some top teams in the SEC last weekend at the Auburn Tiger Track Classic in Auburn, Ala. Despite delays from thunderstorms the team put together some impressive performances. Kyle Anthony '10, Kevin Macleod '09 and Kerry Boyle '09 all posted IC4A qualifying marks for the men's team, while Rebecca Frey '11 posted the highest finish by a Bison in the women's pole vault.

"Our athletes did get a chance to compete against a very high level of competition that included teams like Auburn, Iowa and South Carolina," Head Coach Kevin Donner said. "I was pleased with Boyle in the 400, Campbell in the 1500, Fitzgerald in the pole vault, Anthony in the triple jump and our 4 x 400 relay of Boyle, Macleod, [Guy] Castranova '11 and Anthony. Rebecca Frey continues to pole vault very consistently."

Anthony had a break-out meet, placing in the top 15 in both the triple jump and long jump. Anthony's IC4A qualifying mark of 48 feet 8 3/4 inches was good enough for a fifth-place finish, while he took 14th in the long jump.

Boyle posted a time of 47.77 in the 400-meter dash to place sixth overall

and qualified for the IC4A championship.

In the 400-meter hurdles, Macleod finished in 53.49, taking 10th place and qualifying for IC4As. Wallace Campbell '08 posted an impressive finish in the 1,500-meter run, clocking a time of 3:52.85 to place seventh.

On the women's side, Frey cleared a height of 11-7 1/4 in the pole vault to earn third-place honors. Amy Mantush '10 notched a career-best mark in the triple jump of 37-10 1/4, which places her as seventh all-time in Bison history. Mantush also tied for third in the high jump with a mark of 5-5.

The rest of the Orange and Blue traveled to Princeton, N.J. to compete in the Sam Howell Invitational. Perfect conditions contributed to outstanding performances across the board for the Bison.

Laura Rycek '11 posted the sole ECAC qualifying mark on the weekend, winning the javelin throw. Fellow first-year Sarah Moniz had similar success in the 3,000-meter run, taking first-place honors in 10:08.21. Her time was also the seventh-fastest in university history.

"Our women's team had a great meet at Princeton and we seem to be rounding into good shape as we approach the Patriot Leagues in three weeks," Donner said.

In the 1,500-meter run, Laura

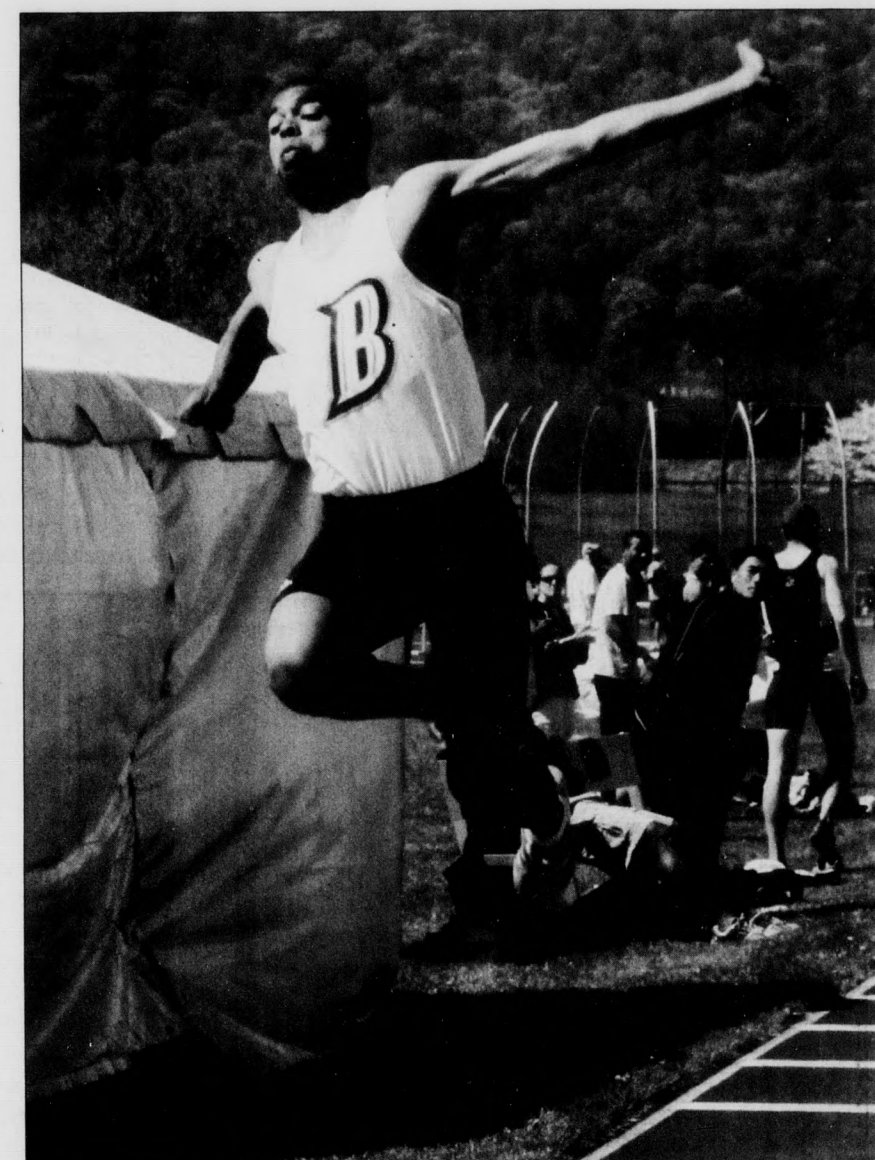
Cundey '10 took third place in 4:52.17, while Allison Janda '10 clocked a time of 59.01 in the 400-meter dash to take 13th place overall. Chelsey Musante '10 posted a fifth-place finish in the shot put with a throw of 40-10 1/4.

On the men's side, Kyle Ramer '10 and Clinton Orloski '09 took second and third respectively in the 1,500-meter run. Ramer finished the event in 3:59.65, while Orloski finished less than a second behind his teammate. Brian Mooney '08 clocked a time of 1:55.17 in the 800-meter run, placing seventh.

"Overall it was a fantastic weekend," Donner said. "Our athletes at Princeton really competed hard and our outdoor performances saw big improvement from last week."

In the field events, Nicholas Hrush '11 took fifth place in the high jump, clearing a height of 6-4 1/4. First-year students Michael Deatherage and Daniel Kubinski both posted top-ten finishes respectively in the javelin and triple jump. Deatherage finished sixth with a throw of 181-11, while Kubinski took fourth-place honors with a jump of 45-1/2.

The Bison will be hosting the Bison Outdoor Classic this weekend against such teams as Cornell, Yale and American. The meet will be their first home, outdoor meet of the season and will begin on Saturday at 9 a.m.



Kyle Anthony '10 qualified for the IC4A championship in the triple jump at the Auburn Tiger Track Classic last weekend.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Friday

MEN'S & WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD – Bison Outdoor Classic, 3:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
MEN'S LACROSSE – Lehigh, 7:30 p.m., Bethlehem, Pa.

Saturday

MEN'S GOLF – Lafayette Invitational, All Day, Center Valley, Pa.
MEN'S & WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD – Bison Outdoor Classic, 9:00 a.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
WOMEN'S TENNIS – Army, 9:00 a.m., West Point, N.Y.
MEN'S TENNIS – Army, 12:00 p.m., West Point, N.Y.
BASEBALL – Holy Cross, 12:00 p.m. doubleheader, Lewisburg, Pa.
SOFTBALL – Lehigh, 1:00 p.m. doubleheader, Bethlehem, Pa.
WOMEN'S LACROSSE – Navy, 1:00 p.m., Annapolis, Md.
WOMEN'S WATER POLO – George Washington, 8:00 p.m., Washington D.C.
ROWING – Michigan, Ohio State, & Tennessee, TBA, Columbus, Ohio (Griggs Reservoir)

Sunday

MEN'S GOLF – Lafayette Invitational, All Day, Center Valley, Pa.
WOMEN'S WATER POLO – Maryland, 9:00 a.m. / Michigan, 3:00 p.m., College Park Md.
WOMEN'S TENNIS – Lafayette, 10:00 a.m., Easton, Pa.
BASEBALL – Holy Cross, 12:00 p.m. doubleheader, Lewisburg, Pa.
SOFTBALL – Lehigh, 12:00 p.m. doubleheader, Bethlehem, Pa.
MEN'S TENNIS – Navy, 1:00 p.m., Lewisburg, Pa.
ROWING – Knecht Cup, TBA, Cherry Hill, N.J. (Cooper River)

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#11 Bucknell	3-1	.750	8-2	.800
#17 Army	3-1	.750	7-3	.700
Colgate	2-2	.500	6-5	.545
Lehigh	2-3	.400	6-7	.462
Lafayette	1-3	.250	4-6	.400
Holy Cross	0-6	.000	3-7	.300

Women's Lacrosse				
2008 Patriot League Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Colgate	4-0	1.000	6-7	.462
American	3-1	.750	5-9	.357
Lehigh	3-1	.750	8-5	.615
Navy	2-2	.500	9-3	.750
Holy Cross	2-3	.400	4-9	.308
Bucknell	1-3	.250	5-5	.500
Lafayette	0-5	.000	4-14	.000

Men's Tennis				
2008 Patriot League Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Army	3-0	1.000	12-5	.706
Navy	3-0	1.000	15-8	.652
Bucknell	1-1	.500	8-7	.533
Lafayette	1-2	.333	4-4	.500
Colgate	1-2	.333	6-9	.400
Lehigh	1-2	.333	5-9	.357
Holy Cross	0-3	.000	1-4	.200

Women's Tennis				
2008 Patriot League Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Army	3-0	1.000	20-7	.741
Bucknell	2-0	1.000	7-7	.500
Colgate	1-1	.500	9-6	.600
Lehigh	2-3	.400	7-10	.412
Holy Cross	1-2	.333	3-4	.429
Lafayette	0-3	.000	4-4	.500

Baseball				
2008 Patriot League Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Navy	6-2	.750	20-13	.606
Holy Cross	6-2	.750	13-16	.448
Lafayette	4-4	.500	16-11	.593
Bucknell	4-4	.500	14-15-2	.484
Army	3-5	.375	11-18	.379
Lehigh	1-7	.125	14-20	.412

Softball				
2008 Patriot League Standings				
Team	Conference	PCT	Overall	PCT
Lehigh	6-2	.750	25-9-1	.729
Bucknell	5-3	.625	13-21	.382
Lafayette	4-4	.500	13-15	.464
Army	3-5	.375	8-28	.222
Colgate	1-3	.250	4-11	.267
Holy Cross	1-3	.250	3-16	.158

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Bison fall to Colgate in back and forth contest

By Kyle Barndollar
Sports Editor

Despite leading for most of the game, the women's lacrosse team was unable to stop a late run by Colgate, falling 14-12 to the Red Raiders. The loss puts the Bison at 5-5 overall and 1-3 in Patriot League play.

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"I think our team has struggled with putting a full 60 minutes of lacrosse together," said Caline McHenry, head women's lacrosse coach. "We are a very young team and we are learning how to be successful in different game situations."

The Bison did not trail in the game until the 12:22 mark of the second half, when Lindsay Pittard scored to put Colgate ahead, 13-12. No further points were scored until the final seconds, when Molly Carroll scored an insurance goal at 0:04 to bring the final tally to 14-12.

"We got away from doing the things that made us successful in the first half," McHenry said of her team's second half performance. "Colgate did a good job of coming out and finishing their shots."

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vented attackman who led the team with two goals and one assist. Danylyshyn, who only had five points on the season entering the contest, earned Patriot League Rookie of the Week honors and became the fifth different player to lead the team in points this season.

"Mike had a big game, and we all knew that it was only a matter of time before he had a day like this. He is a really good player and he stepped up big on Friday and shot the ball really well," said Brandau, the only other Bison two score two goals in the contest.

The University is still in the running to host the Patriot League Tournament in two weeks. In addition to defeating their final two Patriot League opponents to close the season, the Bison need Army to defeat Navy in West Point, N.Y.

Sarah Collins '10, one of three Bison to register a hat trick, started the scoring 1:27 into the game off an assist from Julia Braun '11.

After a tying goal from Brie Moran, Braun scored her first of three goals just over twenty-five seconds later to kick-start a 5-1 run for the Orange and Blue.

The run saw another goal from Braun and Collins, as well as one each from Bonnie Buechel '09 and Paige Kasschau '10.

The 6-2 lead for the Orange and Blue would all but evaporate over the next eight and a half minutes, as Colgate staged their own 5-1 run to make the score 7-7.

The Bison would finish strong in the first half, though, as goals from Buechel and Collins moved the score to 9-7 after the first half hour.

"Our kids did a good job of executing our game plan the first half," McHenry said. "Offensively we did a good job of moving the ball and taking high percentage shots. Defensively we were able to slow Colgate down in transition and play as a solid unit."

Braun completed her hat trick with the first goal of the second half to advance the Bison lead to 10-7, but the Orange and Blue would only muster two more goals the rest of the way.

The final two goals would come from Carol Donohue '10 and Allison Heffernan '10 to put the home team up 12-9 with 16:26 to play.

The final quarter of the game would be controlled by the Raiders.

Ashley Didio, Lindsay Pittard and Meghan Lawler each scored a goal for Colgate in a span of 24 seconds to tie it up at 14-12.

Pittard's second goal would be the go-ahead score two and a half minutes later, and Colgate was able to run out the clock from there to

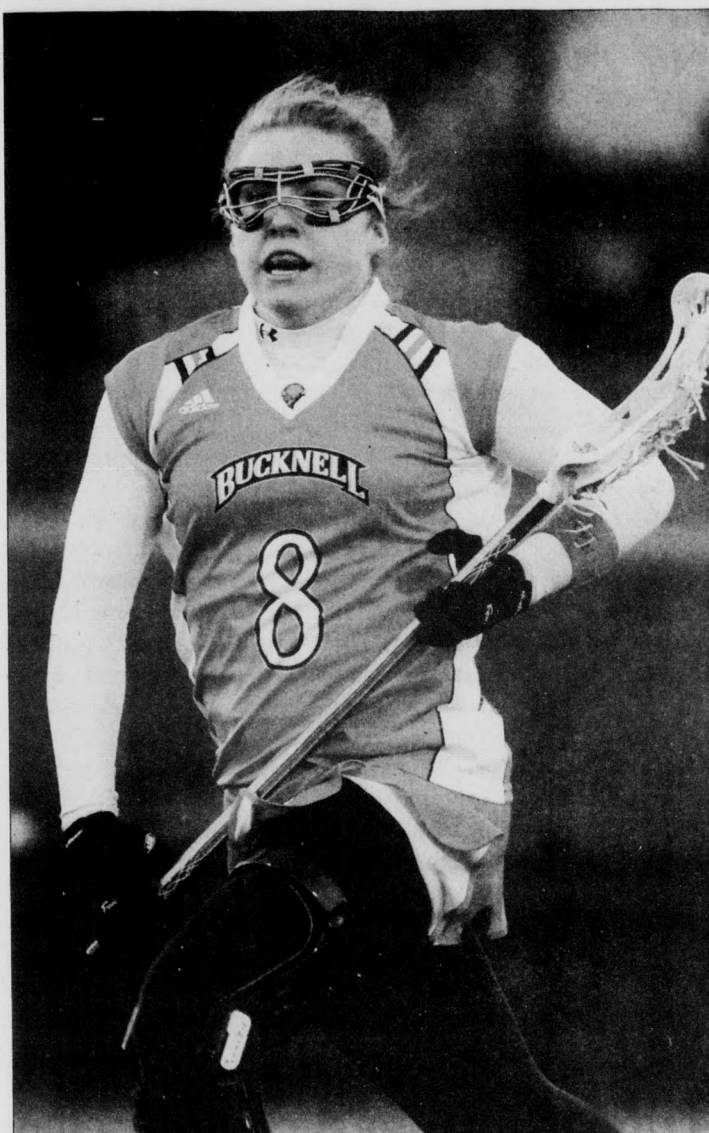
earn the 14-12 win.

"We had our opportunities to come back once they went up by a goal, but couldn't seem to convert," Lauren Deitrich '08 said. "Colgate did a nice job of possessing the ball and from there we knew it was going to be difficult to come back with such little time left."

Colgate out-shot the Bison 29-27 in the game and converted 15 of 17 clear attempts. The Orange and Blue were just 15-for-25 on clears.

on Saturday by one or two goals in order to secure the number one seed and host the Patriot League tournament.

The team will travel to Bethlehem, Pa. Friday night to face Lehigh (6-7, 2-3) in its second to last regular season Patriot League contest. The Bison defeated Lehigh 11-5 last year.



Bonnie Buechel '09 extended her point-scoring streak from both this and last season to 30 games straight.

Courtesy of Athletic Communications

Alyssa DeLorenz '11 made 11 saves in the contest.

The Bison now sit at 1-3 in Patriot League competition with two must-win conference games remaining. If the Orange and Blue can beat both Lehigh and Navy in the upcoming weeks, they will remain in contention for one of the four spots in the Patriot League Tournament.

The Bison will face Navy tomorrow at 1 p.m. in Annapolis, Md.

Inside Lacrosse Top 20 National Rankings

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3. VIRGINIA (10-1)
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6. NAVY (9-2)
7. MARYLAND (7-3)
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Men's golf completes Irish Classic

Keita Aoki '08 cards rounds of 71-76; Bison place ninth at tournament

By Jon Campbell-Copp
Senior Writer

The men's golf team traveled to South Bend last Monday, where they finished ninth at the Irish Classic hosted by Notre Dame. Keita Aoki '08 continued his strong play, pacing the Bison with rounds of 71-76 to finish in a tie for 23rd individually.

"It was great to see Keita play well and finish first on the team."

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Stuart Lindgren '08

said Rahul Desai '08. "This has been a long time coming and for him to start the spring with three solid finishes means so much for the team."

The 36-hole event was played over one day, the first round being played in the morning followed by the second round in the afternoon.

"We faced a couple of the top-100 schools, like Notre Dame and Northwestern, as well as some of the top schools from the East coast," said Aoki regarding the competition. "So, it was a good preparation for understanding our weaknesses when comparing with the top schools."

The Bison were consistent, shooting 309 in both rounds. Stuart Lindgren '08 and Desai '08 both fired rounds in the 70's for the Orange and Blue, Lindgren carding a 73 and a 79, and Desai posting rounds of 75 and 77. Brain Poe '09 shot scores of 85-83, while Jeff Pike '10 improved from a 90 to an 82.

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The tournament sets the Bison up for the first of several Patriot League meetings next week at the Lafayette Invitational. The following week they will play at Navy, and then head to Lehigh for the Patriot League Championship. The Bison will then hope to make it three titles in a row.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Stuart Lindgren '08 shot a 73 and 79 in the first and second rounds respectively to help the Bison place ninth.

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Colgate 8
Bucknell 6

Bucknell 11
Colgate 6

Bucknell 5
St. Francis (PA) 3

ange and Blue got on the board first with RBIs by Ashley Beans '09 in the second and Lauren Fry '11 in the third. Colgate responded with a huge fifth inning, touching Wiest for six runs. The Bison tied the game up with two runs in the fifth and one in the sixth. But at the top of the eighth, the Raiders scored two more runs to secure the victory.

The Bison looked to return the favor in the second game of the day. They came back with a vengeance, scoring runs in each inning of play. Curatola led the Bison offense with three RBIs, while McDonald powered the defense, going seven strong innings and allowing six runs on seven hits with two strikeouts.

"The team is extremely focused and we are currently in a good spot in the league. Our efforts this weekend were amazing, everyone stepped up offensively and our two pitchers did their jobs."

Head Coach Heather Rakosik said.

On April 3, the team traveled to Loretto, Pa., to face St. Francis in a doubleheader. Using the long ball and some excellent pitching, the Bison came out with a sweep of the twin bill. In game one, Colmenero hit a two-run home run in the fifth inning to give the Orange and Blue a 5-0 lead. St. Francis' comeback was thwarted, when

Fry caught a deep fly ball that could have won the game for St. Francis.

In game two the Bison relied on an 11-run fifth inning to seal the victory. Curatola and

Mary Pavlovich '10 each hit a home run to pace the Bison. McDonald went five innings to pick up the win for the Bison. She gave up two runs on

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Head Coach

three hits and one strikeout.

For their efforts this past week, Fry and Pavlovich received awards from the Patriot League. Fry was named Patriot League Softball Rookie of the Week and Pavlovich was named Patriot League Player of the Week.

The Orange and Blue return to action on Saturday and Sunday when they travel to Bethlehem, Pa. for a four-game series with Lehigh.

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entire team's efforts—not just one or two standout rounds."

The first 36 holes of the tournament were played on Sunday April 6, while the final round of 18 followed on Monday. Chiodo led the Bison in the first round with a near-personal best of 77, which was backed up by a pair of 78's from Amy Loughney '08 and Katie Jurenovich '11. Phalen and Leah Antkiewicz '10 each posted scores of 83, helping the Orange and Blue post a solid 316 tally in the first round.

The afternoon brought higher temperatures, but lower scores as Chiodo demolished her previous tournament-best of 76 with a one-over 73 to tie the school record set by Celine Herbin '04. Phalen was just behind Chiodo with a 75, with Loughney and Jurenovich making solid contributions of 79 and 81, respectively. The team's 18-hole total of 308 broke the program record by six shots, and clipped the 36-hole record by a full eight shots.

"I was so excited on Sunday when Emily tied the record," said Phalen. "She has carried and led this team all year and if anyone deserves to break the individual scoring record it is her, no question."

The following day proved a little tougher for the Bison, but Phalen followed the path Chiodo had found the previous

day, shooting another 73 to pace the Orange and Blue in the final round of the tournament. Chiodo slipped a little on the final day, carding an 83 and finishing in a tie for 43rd. Loughney and Jurenovich stayed solid over the final round, shooting 81 and 82 respectively, while Antkiewicz also shot 83. The team's 54-hole total of 943 was the best in program history, destroying the old mark by 13 shots.

The Bison was the only Patriot League school in the field, and finished alone in 13th, beating out North Texas, Kennesaw State and Old Dominion. Oklahoma took the title by six shots over Arkansas-Little Rock.

"The field was 'hardcore' to say the least, as we were the only non-scholarship team in attendance and were at a serious disadvantage considering the weather their schools benefit from and our freezing, cold, rainy spring conditions," said Phalen on the competition. "I think this tournament proved to a lot of people that our team is up and coming, and that as a team we are going to surprise anyone that counts us out."

The women's golf team will be back on the links this weekend, looking to break more records as they travel to the Big South Championship in Ninety-Six, South Carolina. The tournament runs from Monday, April 14 to the 16, and will be the Bison's final event of the season.

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hardest test of the season this weekend as they travel to the Griggs Reservoir in Columbus, Ohio to face Ohio State, Tennessee and Michigan. Both Ohio State and Tennessee finished in the top-10 last year at the NCAA Championships. The Michigan varsity eight took third place at the final in the Head of the Charles, a premier regatta internationally in the fall. For the women to come out unscathed they must fire on all cylinders on Saturday.

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NCAA Basketball Tournament recap

Kansas Jayhawks win third national championship

By Wes Trowbridge
Sports Editor

Between the innumerable tournament pools you were undoubtedly asked to pay \$5 for and the monopoly of TV programming that occurred every Thursday through Sunday on CBS, the NCAA Basketball Tournament is annually one of the most highly anticipated events in all of sports.

This year March Madness was no different as the Cinderellas clashed with the storied powerhouses over 64 games before a final overtime period was necessary to crown a new national champion.

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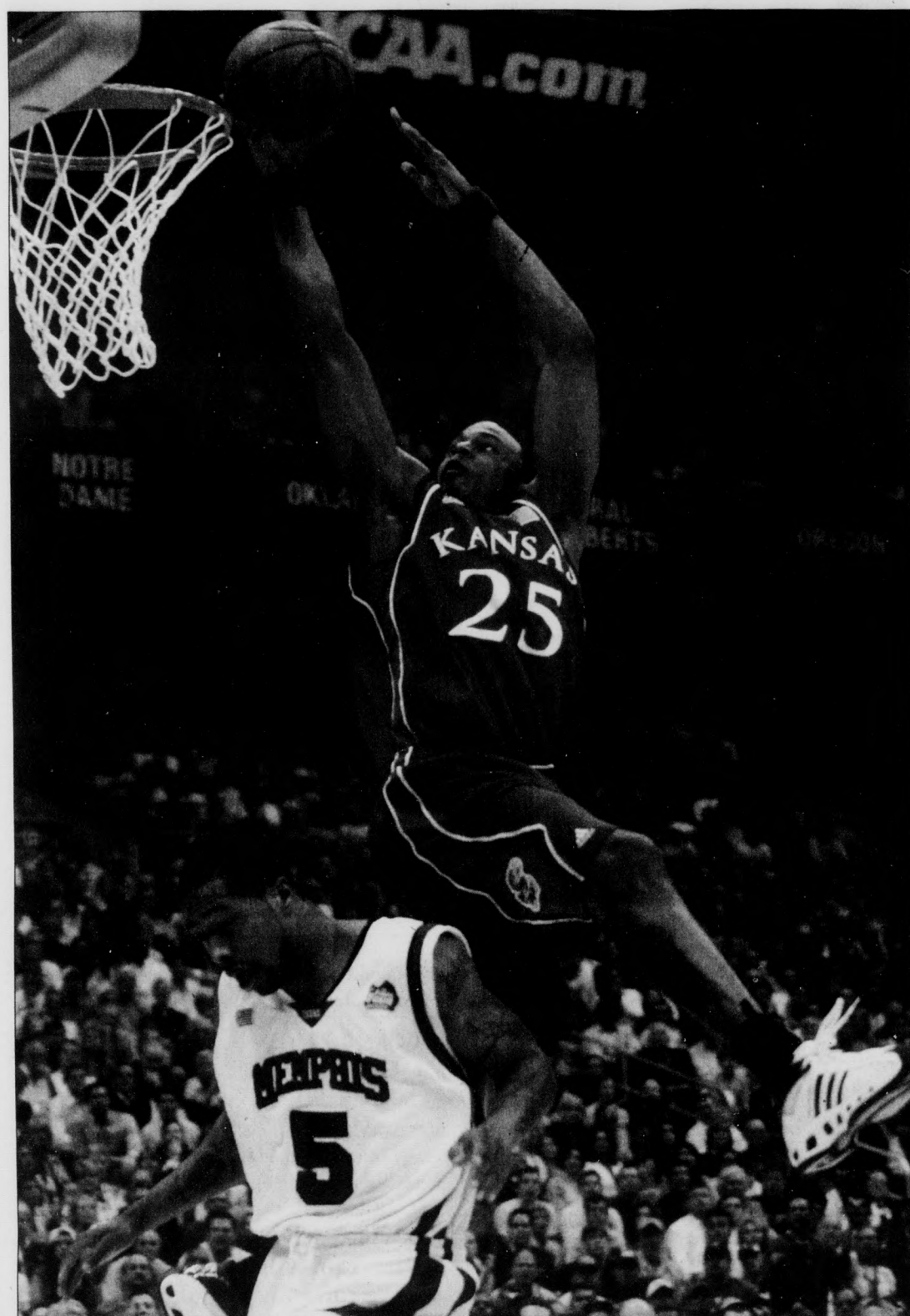
The Kansas Jayhawks (37-3) won their third National Championship and their first since 1988 in a thriller that will be replayed for decades. Facing a Memphis team that had lost just one game all season and had set the NCAA record for wins in a season with 38, the Jayhawks found themselves trailing 51-60 with less than two minutes remaining.

However, two jumpers, a stolen inbound turned three pointer, and couple free throws from each side later, the deficit was just two. A made free throw by Memphis's Derrick Rose extended the lead to three with 0:10 remaining before Mario Chalmers cemented his place in NCAA lore, hitting an off balance three pointer with just 2.1 seconds remaining.

In overtime it was all Kansas as the Jayhawks scored the first six points and went on to a 75-68 victory. The late comeback was one for the record books as Kansas finished the game on a 24-8 tear and did not allow Memphis a basket for over six and a half minutes during the end of the fourth quarter and most of overtime.

59.6 percent

The single knock the experts had concerning Memphis (38-



Courtesy of Reuters
Brandon Rush of the Kansas Jayhawks soars over Memphis Tigers' Antonio Anderson on their way to the 2008 NCAA Men's National Championship last Monday.

2) entering the tournament was their performance at the free throw stripe. Entering the tournament, Memphis outperformed just two teams out of the 32 in Division I basket-

ball in free throw percentage at 59.6. However, the Tigers seemed to have proven Head Coach John Calipari correct that they would "make them when it counts" as

they entered the championship game shooting free throws at an above average rate in the tournament, including a 20 for 23 in their semifinal win against UCLA.

Unfortunately for Memphis, probability caught up with their two NBA bound stars Rose and Chris Douglas-Roberts in the closing minutes of regulation. As Kansas mounted their comeback, the two combined to miss four out of five free throws in the final 1:15 before Chalmers' miracle shot sent the game to overtime snatched the national championship from under the Tigers' grasps.

A (not so) Predictable Final Four

For the first time since the tournament began seeding in 1979, all four number one seeds advanced to the final four. Since an omniscient tournament selection committee is unlikely, to have the favorites make up the final four out of the other 69,631 possibilities will most likely not happen again for some time.

Aside from Kansas and Memphis, UCLA and North Carolina completed the field of four. UCLA (35-4) was favored to win it all by many PAC-10 fans but Memphis's athleticism and length smothered future NBA draft picks Darren Collison and Kevin Love, who combined to make just five of 20 shots from the field and scored well below their season averages.

As the overall number one seed entering the tournament, North Carolina's (36-3) loss to Kansas by a stunning 18 points shocked many fans. After crawling out of the gates to an unbelievable 12-40 deficit with 6:49 remaining in the first half, UNC nearly pulled off the kind of comeback Hollywood producers salivate over.

The Tar Heels went on a rampage, outscoring the Jayhawks 38-14 run over the next 15 and a half minutes and closed the gap to just five points with 5:41 remaining. Kansas did not back down however as they maintained their composure and closed the game the way they began, cruising to an 84-68 vic-

tory. Kansas set the nets on fire, shooting 53 percent from the field as opposed to UNC's 36 percent.

Davidson vs. Goliath

Not since Larry Bird guided Indiana State University to the national championship game in 1979 had a player single-handedly carried his team through the tournament the way Davidson's Stephen Curry did when he dawned Cinderella's slippers this year.

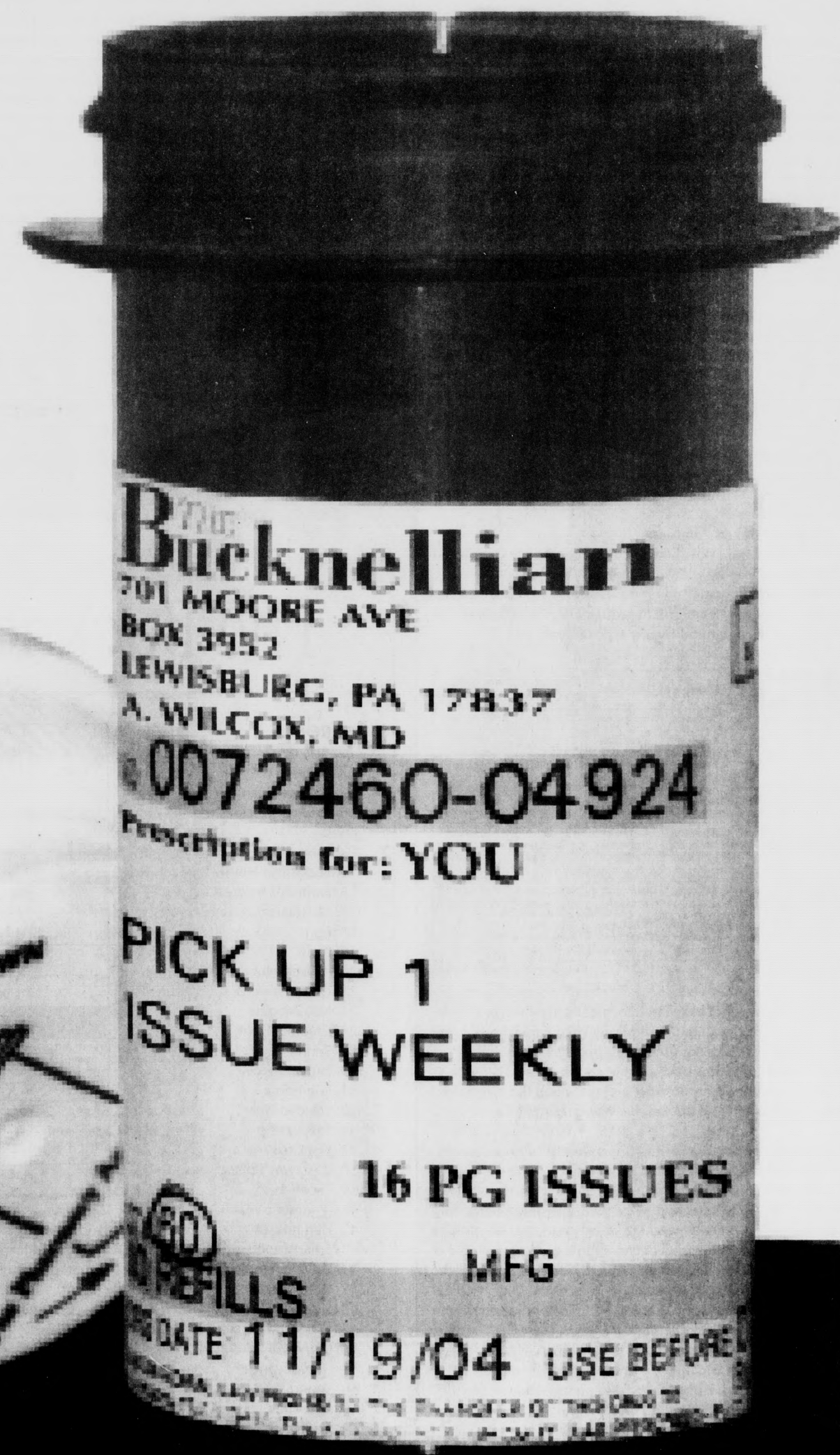
Curry averaged 32.0 points in four NCAA tournament games as he led No. 11 seeded Davidson in upsets over No. 6 Gonzaga, No. 2 Georgetown, and No. 3 Wisconsin before falling to eventual national champion Kansas. The Wildcats fell two points shy of becoming the third No. 11 seed to advance to the Final Four after Curry was swarmed by Jayhawk defenders in the final moments and forced to pass on the game winning shot.

Curry shot a sizzling 53 percent from three point range in Davidson's three wins, including eight of 10 shooting against Gonzaga in the first round, as he carried his team to the Elite Eight. He also finished the season ranked fifth in Division I in scoring average with 25.1 points per game and made 162 three point field goals to establish a new NCAA record. Curry has made it public that he intends on returning to Davidson for his junior year, despite interest from many NBA franchises.

No. 12 seeds Villanova and Western Kentucky also made headlines as they advanced to the Sweet Sixteen in Neilson-boasting fashion. Western Kentucky provided the shot in the first round of the tournament against Drake. Trailing 98-99 with 5.7 seconds remaining in overtime, Western Kentucky's Tyrone Brazleton raced down court before dishing the ball to Ty Rogers, who knocked down a 26-foot 3 pointer for the victory as time expired.

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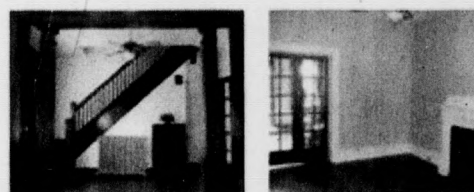
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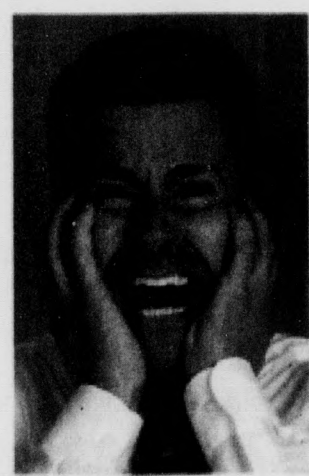
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FEATURES

Squirrels cause mixed feelings

Facebook provides students with forum for discussing the University's squirrels

By Tracy Lum
Staff Writer



Alexandra Kutner—The Bucknellian

Some students love them, while others are terrified of them. They are in every crevice of every quad, always watching.

Squirrels. On campus these animals have built reputations as tricksters, hiding in dumpsters and jumping out of trash cans.

Take Angela Chouinard '11, for example. While walking back from class one day, Chouinard heard a noise coming from a trash can in front of Hunt Hall. Believing it was a squirrel, she grabbed her camera phone hoping to get a close-up picture.

As Chouinard approached the trash can, the squirrel jumped between the top of the cover and can, chirped loudly, and proceeded to run away.

"It's the only time I've ever had a squirrel that close to my face," Chouinard said. "And I'm not sure I want to repeat it."

Amanda Rose '10 created a Facebook group called "Bucknell Squirrels Jumping Out of Trash cans Scare Me!" after her first incident with the rodents. Living in Harris, Rose deals with the squirrels on a daily basis.

"Two squirrels inside of the trash can were fighting over a piece of pizza, and less than two feet in front of me, one of the squirrels launched itself out of the trash can and hit the pavement with the piece of pizza," Rose said. "They both did this mid-air flip as soon as they saw me and raced [to] the nearest tree."

While she likes having a lot of squirrels on campus, Rose is concerned about the population. During the winter especially, she recalled seeing many emaciated and "scraggly-looking" squirrels roaming the campus.

Though the creatures may incite fear through their antics, Rose believes they are not a menace to the University community.

Many students have notable squirrel stories. Daniel Wang '10 recalled an incident with a squirrel from last year. He had left his window open on the first floor of a residence hall, and a squirrel entered his room.

Jenna Silvi '08 recounted her run-in with a squirrel near the KLARC.

"I was leaving the gym and getting ready to cross the street to go back up the hill, when an apple core came flying out of the trash can and hit me," she said. "I freaked out, and then I saw the squirrel pop out of the trash can."

To this day, squirrels make her nervous.

Yet there is an ample squirrel following on campus. Despite their boisterous behavior, Taylor Phillips '11 maintains that the creatures are cute and give the University a special kind of flair.

"It's fun to watch them chase each other up, down and around trees," she said. "You can get so close to them and they don't seem to mind too much."

Phillips is the administrator of a Facebook group entitled "Bucknell Squirrels are Awesome," which currently has 69 members.

Nick Stabile '08 actually befriended a squirrel while he lived in Harris. Every day the squirrel would visit him on the fourth floor. Stabile began to leave food on the window ledge for the squirrel, and day after day the squirrel would return at about 3:00 p.m.

"I got her to the point where she would come sit on the inside of my windowsill and eat out of my hand, which made everyone on my hall pretty jealous," Stabile said. While this particular squirrel entered rooms in Harris two or three times, Stabile believes these unwanted visits were really due to the carelessness of the students.

"It was really their fault for...leaving their windows open without screens in them," he said. A couple of squirrels seem to have achieved celebrity status on campus. On Facebook, there is a group dedicated to

"Stumpy," the squirrel without a tail.

"He was...just a fixture at Bucknell," Katy Vertigan '05 said. Vertigan established the group mostly for her friends, but was surprised to see that many other students had joined the group in the years since she had graduated.

Other students are particularly fond of the albino squirrel allegedly living near Harris. "He's awesome...like Bucknell's white stag," Chouinard said.

Unfortunately, there have been cases of squirrels attacking students. Emily Fry '11 recalled a particularly violent incident involving one of her friends. During the fall semester, a squirrel bit her friend.

"She had to get a rabies shot," she said. Because of the bite, this student, who wished to remain anonymous, had to make a few trips to the emergency room and the Student Health Center and received multiple rabies shots.

"Whether you love them, hate them, have had them throw fruit at you, or have had less pleasant experiences, squirrels are an integral part of the University experience. Although some squirrels incite fear among students, others can become close companions or, at the very least, a beloved part of campus life. However, when a squirrel crosses your path, it is probably advisable to keep your distance and use caution when approaching trash cans.

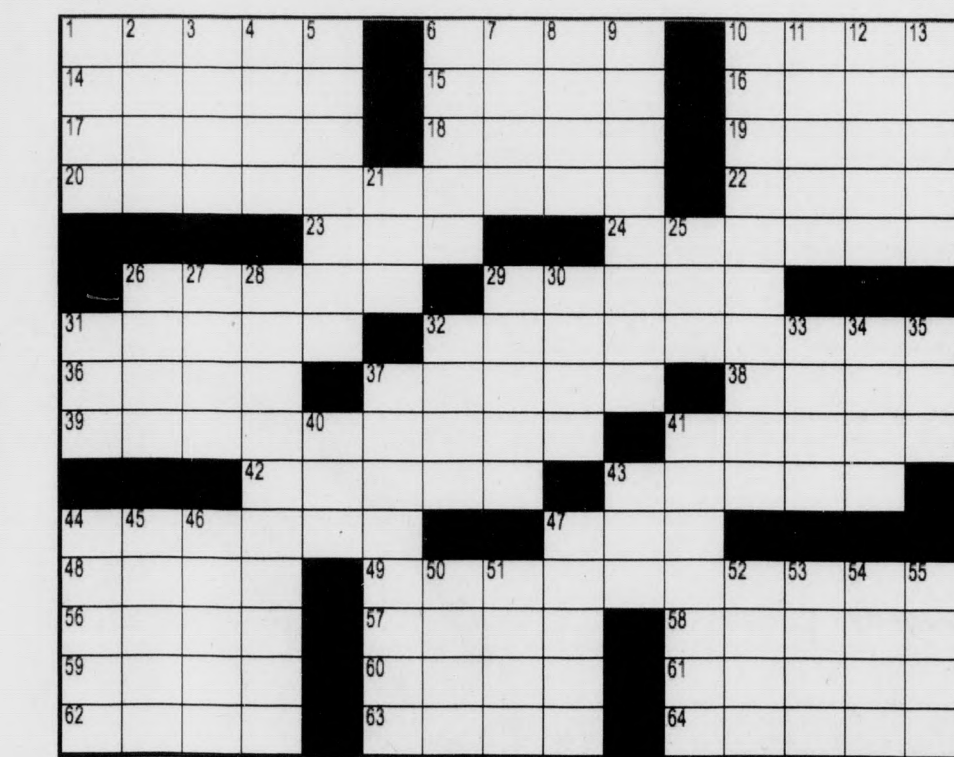
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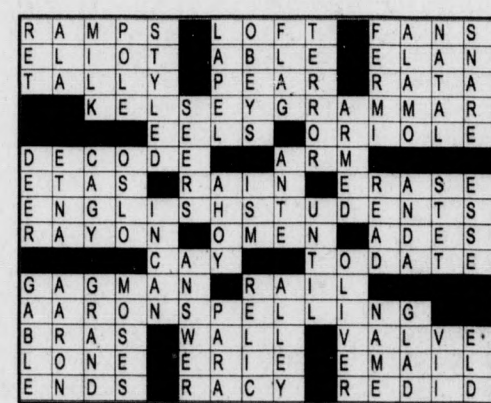
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- Songstress Horne
- Hummus holder
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- "Rose Nylyund"
- Quitter's word
- Ms. Zadora
- Evening event
- Ben of Ben & Jerry's
- Pageant crown
- Log home
- "Nacho Libre"
- Sailing ship
- Black tea
- Castaway's place
- "Scott Evil"
- ...-American
- Hen hpuses
- Smart-mouthed
- Drive-in employee
- Golfer's goal
- Side by side?
- "The Godfather of Soul"
- Mongolian desert
- Flamboyance
- Sound
- Arab ruler
- Conflicted
- Dictation taker
- June honorees
- Hot
- Ruhr city

DOWN:

- Thick slice
- Put on the payroll
- Help in a holdup
- Landlord's due
- Child-safe area



- Island greeting
- First name in jeans
- "Sometimes you feel like..."
- Junior, to Senior
- Expert
- Stogie
- Perform penance
- Butter up?
- Earn gold
- Sphere
- Attention
- Passing remarks
- Places to eat pasta peas
- Movie shots
- Desktop symbol
- Letterman's network
- Car type
- "As good ___ gets"
- Kind of court
- Boy toy?
- Aircraft
- Slime
- Plane place
- Is in the past?
- Locked up
- Something in the air
- Try again, on Ebay
- Copper coin
- Burn balm
- "Das Kapital" creator
- Dead-end jobs
- Keats creations
- Press release?
- Twelve



April 4 Answers

FEATURES

Students go silent for LGBT

By Rajaa Qadri
Staff Writer

The University will be celebrating the Day of Silence, an event annually observed to symbolize the harassment and persecution of the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender/Transsexual) community.

Although April 25 is the nationally recognized Day of Silence, the day will be observed on campus Wednesday due to a conflict with the end of classes.

The event began in 1996 and since then has been held every April across the United States.

It originated at the University of Virginia by more than 150 students as a response to a class assignment on non-violent protests, according to www.dayofsilence.org.

The event went national the following year when more than 100 universities took part in the Day of Silence, and GLSEN (Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network) became the official sponsor for the event in 2001.

Cristie Winkler '08, President of FLAG&BT (Friends of Lesbian and Gay, Bisexual and Transgender/Transsexual), is organizing the event as a neutral facilitator and asked various student organi-

zations to participate in the Day of Silence.

Nationally, the Day of Silence acknowledges discrimination felt by the LGBT community.

"I know that Cristie wanted the Day of Silence to be a more encompassing event at Bucknell," said Andy Pascual '11, liaison for Students for Asian Awareness at Bucknell (SAAB).

"The aim for the University's Day of Silence is to acknowledge

because acceptance of the LGBT Community (and other groups of diversity) has been increasing throughout the years and we would like to keep that momentum flowing," Winkler said.

Fran McDaniel is the director of the office of LGBT Awareness, and very involved with this event.

"I am looking forward to the expanded National Day of Silence including the introduction day, the actual day and then the

is organizing events surrounding the Day of Silence. A panel will speak in "Being Different at Bucknell" in Walls Lounge Tuesday under the moderation of Dean Robert Midkiff.

There will also be a poetry slam about breaking the silence and issues of social injustices following the Day of Silence on the Uphill Langone Center (LC) Lawn.

On the Day of Silence, there will be a table in the LC Mall with different organizations distributing information about groups they are acknowledging, as well as blank posters with topics of interest so people can write their feelings about it.

The campus bookstore will support the cause by displaying books chosen by participating organizations. There will also be enlarged handwritten letters in the LC Mall from each group that discuss either personal experiences or stories about victims.

The Day of Silence Committee will be at tables in the LC Mall today, as well as Monday through Wednesday from 11-3 p.m. Students can sign up to pledge to be silent and receive ribbons to wear, as well as educational information about each of the groups being represented.



Illustration by Ery Sellers—The Bucknellian

"The aim for the University's Day of Silence is to acknowledge the discrimination experienced by any community."
—Andy Pascual '11
Liaison for Students for Asian Awareness at Bucknell

the discrimination experienced by any community. There are roughly 14 organizations involved, including student clubs, sororities and fraternities. Each of these organizations has taken it upon themselves to find a group or cause for whom they would like to be silent with topics ranging from political diversity (BSG), LGBT rights and discrimination (FLAG&BT), and human trafficking in Asia (SAAB), Pascual said.

"The Day of Silence is particularly relevant at our school 'Breaking of the Silence' day. This expanded time will give us a better understand about why the silence is important and what voices have been silenced over the years," said McDaniel.

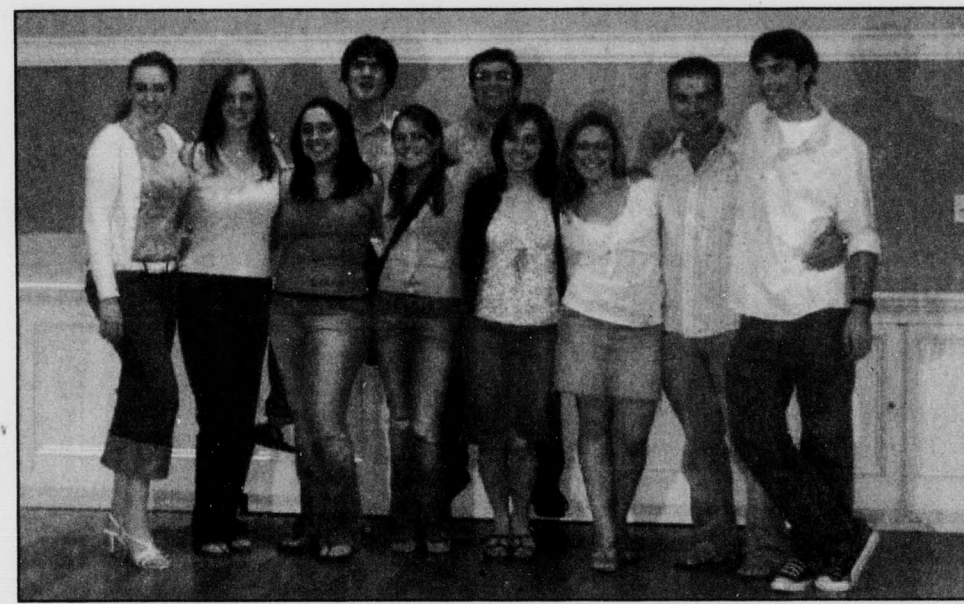
On the Day of Silence, rather than speaking, participants hand out "speaking cards" explaining their reasons for remaining silent throughout the day, Winkler said.

At the end of the day, participants will gather for a dialogue and rally.

The office of LGBT Awareness

Beyond Unison founders' farewell

By Sara Roth
Features Editor



Courtesy of Beyond Unison Web site

The original members of Beyond Unison perform in 2005. The remaining three original members still on campus will be graduating in May.

This Saturday, Beyond Unison will hold their last solo concert of the year at 3 p.m. in Bucknell Hall. This is also the final concert for the last remaining founding members of the University's fourth a cappella group.

Laura Householder '08 and Anna Riker '08 will be graduating this May. The third founding member, John Backhaus '07, graduated last year.

Householder, Riker and Backhaus started Beyond Unison in the fall of 2004. According to Householder, she and Backhaus initiated the conversation during their Building on Foundations program.

Backhaus, a counselor in the program, noticed there was more interest in joining one of the a cappella groups than there was space for participation. "In conversation, I said I would be interested in helping put it together and it took off from there," Householder said.

Riker also joined the pair in initiating the group.

"The three of us wrote a constitution, held auditions, picked the group, and applied to BSG to be an official student group," said Householder. Originally ten people, Beyond Unison now has 17 members and is the second co-ed a cappella group on campus.

The group's first concert happened on Halloween night 2004. "We decided to perform in 3 different locations, in costume! [We sang in] the McDonnell amphitheater, the 7th street cafe, and Smith Quad," said Householder. "From there, we took off as an official group and have been invited to participate in all of the traditional a cappella events on campus."

Beyond Unison has strived to set themselves apart from the other groups on campus. "We have taken songs that no one would expect to be a cappella and made them into some of our most popular songs due to the talent of many of our arrangers," said Householder.

One of the most difficult aspects of a cappella is matching the original drummer's sound by only using vocal techniques, commonly referred to as "beatboxing." The beatboxers "also serve as the primary auditory source of meter for the group," said Michael Schoonmaker '08, an original member of the group. Schoonmaker learned his beatboxing techniques from Dave Allen '06. "Now, I consider myself to be very efficient with my

beatboxing," said Schoonmaker. Schoonmaker is excited to see what the future has in store for Beyond Unison. "I'm...interested to see what kind of greatness the group can achieve in the future."

Householder echoes this sentiment. "My hope for the future is that all four groups continue to challenge themselves to be the best that they can be and continue to support each other with their mutual love for singing!"

Tickets for Beyond Unison's Saturday concert are \$5 and are being sold in the LC mall. Also, don't forget to check out the University's other great a cappella groups: Two Past Midnight, the Silhouettes and the Bison Chips, performing with Beyond Unison at the annual "Night Before Finals" show on April 30.

Students, professors reflect on Bush's questionable legacy

By Alexandra Campbell-Ferrari
Senior Writer

As George W. Bush's second term comes to an end and the race for the presidency battles on, citizens may start to evaluate decisions and actions made by the current administration. Often this evaluation is the basis for retrospective voting in the upcoming election.

Several students would argue Bush's response to the Sept. 11 attacks represented a high point in his presidency.

"He took a commanding role and handled the situation with great leadership," Angela Remeika '09 said.

Caroline Patten '08 argued that while Sept. 11 created the environment in which the United States initiated a war in Afghanistan and Iraq, "Bush did handle the situation well and tried to bring the country together in ways that had not been seen before."

Brian Thiede '08 also noted the president's compassion following Sept. 11 and his ability to bring together Democrats and Republicans alike in responding to the attacks.

While President Bush's response to the Sept. 11 attacks is considered a high point of his tenure in office, political

science professor Doug Hecock would argue these attacks inhibited President Bush's relationship with Mexico's president, Vicente Fox, with whom he had intended to reform immigration policy.

"Sept. 11 changed the priorities of the United States, and liberalization of the border was clearly not in the cards," Hecock said.

President Bush's relationship with Latin America was also impacted.

"In the rest of Latin America, Bush's desire to see an expansion of free trade and deepened relations with the region has taken a back seat to his focus on terrorism, Iraq and the Middle East," Hecock said.

His leadership as a president, beyond the context of the Sept. 11 attacks, has been acknowledged by some as a strength of his administration.

"President Bush's first two to three years in office were remarkably successful. He came in office with low public support, lost the Republican majority in the Senate and only maintained a small majority margin in Congress yet was able to pass his tax policy, pursue his education agenda and following Sept. 11, define the United States' course of foreign policy," Assistant Professor of political

science Scott Meinke said. President Bush's actions in relation to Iraq, his response to domestic issues, and his energy policy were cited as tremendous disappointments.

"While President Bush could rally support for what he wanted to achieve, he fell short on execution. He failed

Patten suggests President Bush's involvement in the declaration of war with Iraq may have overstepped the boundary of presidential power.

In terms of failures in domestic issues, Meinke identified President Bush's late response to Katrina.

Additionally, President Bush has failed the United States by promoting domestic and foreign policies that have made the United States more dependent on hydrocarbon energy, Thiede said.

"The Bush administration's unwillingness to meet the challenge of global climate change head-on is a failure to make the health of our planet—and all of its residents—the priority that it should be," said Assistant Professor of chemistry Molly McGuire.

The Bush administration has insufficiently responded to the magnitude of carbon dioxide emissions, she continued.

Evaluations of the Bush Administration will continue to be made and reconsidered for the following hundreds of years. These immediate evaluations may affect the current election.

"Due to the overall image of the Bush administration—partially fueled by the approval ratings—I feel the road is paved

By Susan Misur

Assistant Chief Copy Editor

Dig out your bug repellent, fill up your Nalgene and lace up your hiking boots.

Though spring weather seems to be making a late appearance this year, gradually warmer temperatures will bring plenty of opportunities for weekend outdoor adventures in the Susquehanna Valley.

Some students may want to explore paths bordering the Susquehanna River near the University, while others can travel the area to state parks for camping, hiking and biking.

marina in Sunbury are known for scenic views and overlooks, though they also offer hiking, biking and walking trails. The two overlooks in the park are over 360 feet above the Susquehanna River, while a one-mile paved biking trail and glider swings border the marina.

Hidden Valley Camping Resort in Millinburg also offers great hiking, swimming, fishing and whitewater paddling activities. The Buffalo Mountain Trail is a great short hike, as is the Bear Gap trail. Lake McClure, a favorite spot among locals, is also close by.

How to Hike Safely:

Whether you're an outdoor enthusiast who hikes year-round or are just interested in taking a marked trail at a state park, bring a map and compass. Statler suggested.

—Always carry plenty of water. —Even if you're hiking on a marked trail at a state park, bring a map and compass. Statler suggested.

—Dress appropriately for the weather by wearing layers. —Make sure to bring healthful snack foods, like trail mix, and a sack lunch.

—Hike in groups or with a friend. —"Or at the very least, always tell someone where you're going and when they should expect your return," Statler said.

Shikellamy State Park and its

for a Democrat to take the Presidency in 2008," Remeika said.

"I think President Bush's actions have pushed people to become more educated about certain issues, especially those pertaining to the war," Patten said.

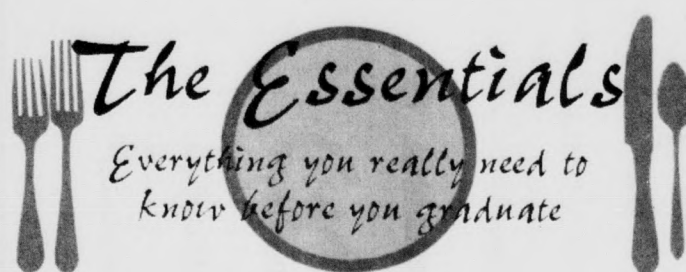
The dissatisfaction felt by many, both Democrats and Republicans, have encouraged individuals to come out and vote, particularly young people, Patten added.

"His actions have made change the key word for all the candidates," Thiede said.

Such change is desired by many individuals, organizations and countries in many different areas of policy. McGuire hopes the next President will advocate for a mandatory cap on carbon dioxide emissions.

Latin American leaders and citizens hope the next president of the United States is more attentive to their needs, Hecock said.

"Bush has had to deal with far more than any one human being can be expected to handle without fault," Remeika said. Each and every president has demonstrated strengths and weaknesses. Citizens have the right to disagree on the definitions of strengths and weaknesses.



Eating like an adult

By Rina Van Orden
Features Editor

After graduating college, it's time to break away from Ramen and Easy Mac. When you live on your own, ordering pizza should become a rare treat and cereal should become a breakfast food. You need to eat real dinners. You're a grown up now.

Learning to cook isn't always easy, but you have to start somewhere. Buy yourself a good cookbook like "The Joy of Cooking." This tool will not only provide you with an array of delicious recipes, but also basic preparation information for any kind of food. A cookbook explains cooking techniques to you (steaming, sautéing, folding, kneading, etc) and provides cook times and temperatures especially helpful with meats, poultry, and fish.

To get you started with whipping up delicious dinners, here are few simple yet impressive dishes anyone can make when following simple instructions.

Deviled Eggs:

These are easy hors d'oeuvres perfect for any occasion from upscale dinner parties to summer barbecues.

Place eggs in a pot of cold water and set on the burner. Bring them to a boil, and then continue boiling for 13 minutes. As soon as the 13 minutes are up, run the hot pot under cold water until the eggs are completely cool. Then pour the water out, and let the eggs sit. By cooling the eggs with cold water immediately, the shell will peel off the egg easily. For easier peeling, chill eggs in the refrigerator.

Peel eggs, and slice them in half lengthwise. Gently scoop out the egg yolks into a bowl and mash into crumbles with a fork. Add mayonnaise one spoonful at a time until the yolk has reached a smooth but thick consistency and add yellow mustard to taste. Add in salt and pepper to taste.

Use a spoon to fill the egg white halves with the mixture. Top lightly with paprika if desired.

Cosmopolitan:

While throwing cranberry juice and vodka in a glass together may make a tasty drink, it's not a true cosmopolitan. Here's how to really make this classy drink for your guests.

1 oz vodka (preferably a citrus flavored vodka)
½ oz. triple sec or Cointreau
½ oz. lime juice
½ oz. cranberry juice
Shake liquids vigorously in a shaker with ice and strain into a martini glass. Garnish with a lime wedge.

Steak and Baked Potatoes:

Everyone should now how to cook a good juicy steak and a baked potato heaping with sour cream. When it comes to steak, be conscious of how well-done you want your steaks to be. Temperatures may vary from grill to grill, but here is a chart of time estimates to keep in mind for any type of steak.

CHART	Red-Hot Charcoal		Preheated oven broiler 2"-3" from heat source	
	Thickness	Doneness	First Side	After Turning
3/4"	Rare	Medium	4 minutes	2 minutes
		Well	5 minutes	3 minutes
1"	Rare	Medium	5 minutes	3 minutes
		Well	6 minutes	4 minutes
1 1/4"	Rare	Medium	7 minutes	4 minutes
		Well	8 minutes	5 minutes
1 1/2"	Rare	Medium	8 minutes	5 minutes
		Well	9 minutes	6 minutes
1 3/4"	Rare	Medium	9 minutes	6 minutes
		Well	10 minutes	7 minutes

Courtesy of Omaha Steaks

For a steaming hot baked potato, preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Scrub the raw potatoes (typically yukon golds) well, rinse and poke holes with a fork ten times in each potato. Bake for 1 - 1 1/2 hours depending on the size of your potatoes. If you want to check how done your potatoes are, slice open the biggest and make sure it is soft and flaky all the way through.

Strawberry Shortcake with Homemade Whipped Cream:

Prepare this classic dessert in minutes. Wash and de-stem fresh strawberries. Slice the strawberries into thin bite-size pieces and place them in a large bowl. Add sugar depending on how sweet the strawberries are already. Use three tablespoons per basket of strawberries as your guide. Let strawberries chill in refrigerator while the sugar draws out the juices and softens the strawberries.

For homemade whipped cream, pour whipping cream into a bowl and beat until semi-stiff peaks form. You don't want the whipped cream to be too runny or too thick. While its much easier to use an electric mixer, you can whip by hand.

Serve strawberries over shortcake, pound cake or biscuits. Add a dollop of whipped cream on top.

With this arsenal of recipes, you can impress guests or enjoy a homemade meal that wasn't cooked in the microwave.

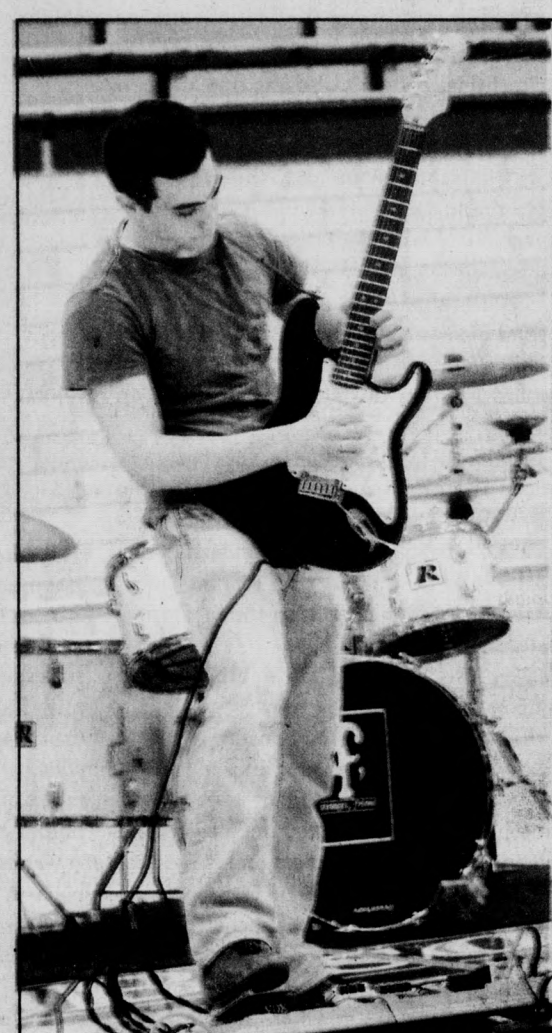
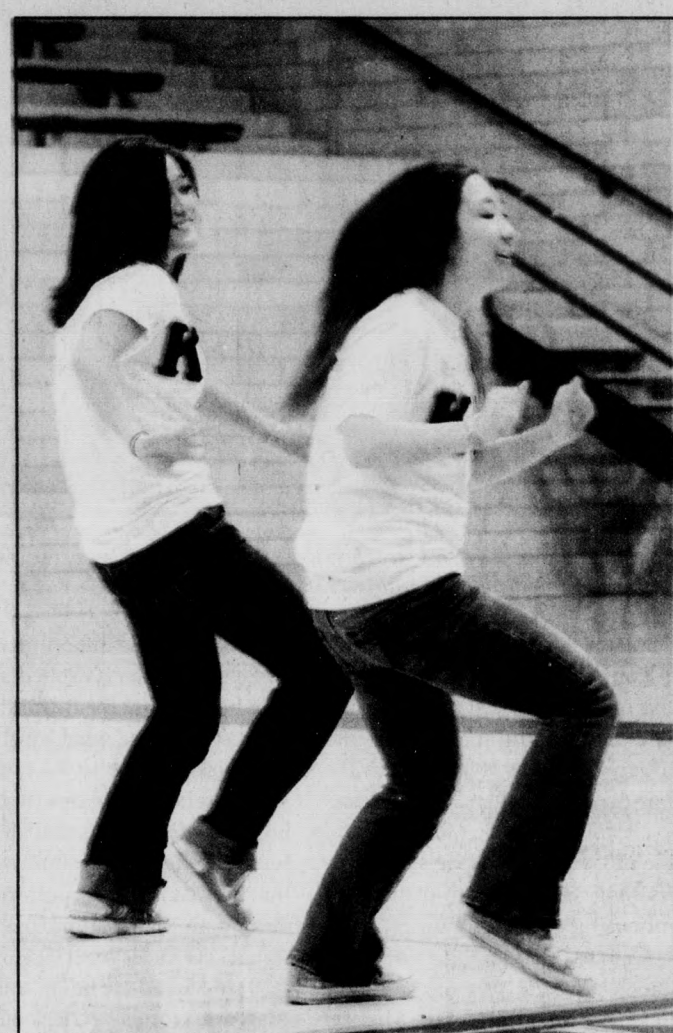
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First Annual BU Olympics



Enche Tjin—The Bucknellian
Students from different campus groups competed in the first annual BU Olympics. Clockwise from left: students drum and play violin for the talent competition; two women compete in the wing-eating competition.

The BU Olympics, which has been Greek Week in previous years, was held from April 2-5. The BU Olympics opened traditionally Greek-Only events to the whole campus. Events included a wing-eating competition in Larison Dining Hall, which raised money for the Million Penny Project. A talent show was held in the Davis Gym, and non-traditional olympic games took place on the intramural fields. Games included an orange-neck relay, a pie eating contest, a bucket-o-water relay, a water balloon toss, and an Ultimate Relay. Saturday's beach volleyball was cancelled.



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Bucky the Bison cheers participants at the Talent show, left. Clockwise from top left: Kappa Alpha Thetas dance in the talent competition, a band performs as their talent, and men dig in during the male portion of the wing-eating contest.

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PEOPLE OF THE YEAR

— DR. DONALD STECHSCHULTE —

By Michelle Laxer and Matthew Saylor
News Editor and Associate Editor of Content

Doctors are never on time. They run late with patients, get stuck in meetings, or must attend to some emergency. There are times patients question if they will even get to meet with the doctor.

There was a point when we were not sure this piece would get written. We were having problems scheduling a time to meet with him. But when we told Dr. Don Stechschulte's secretary the interview was for his Person of the Year piece, she let out an excited shriek and ensured us of a meeting. We knew we had made the right choice.

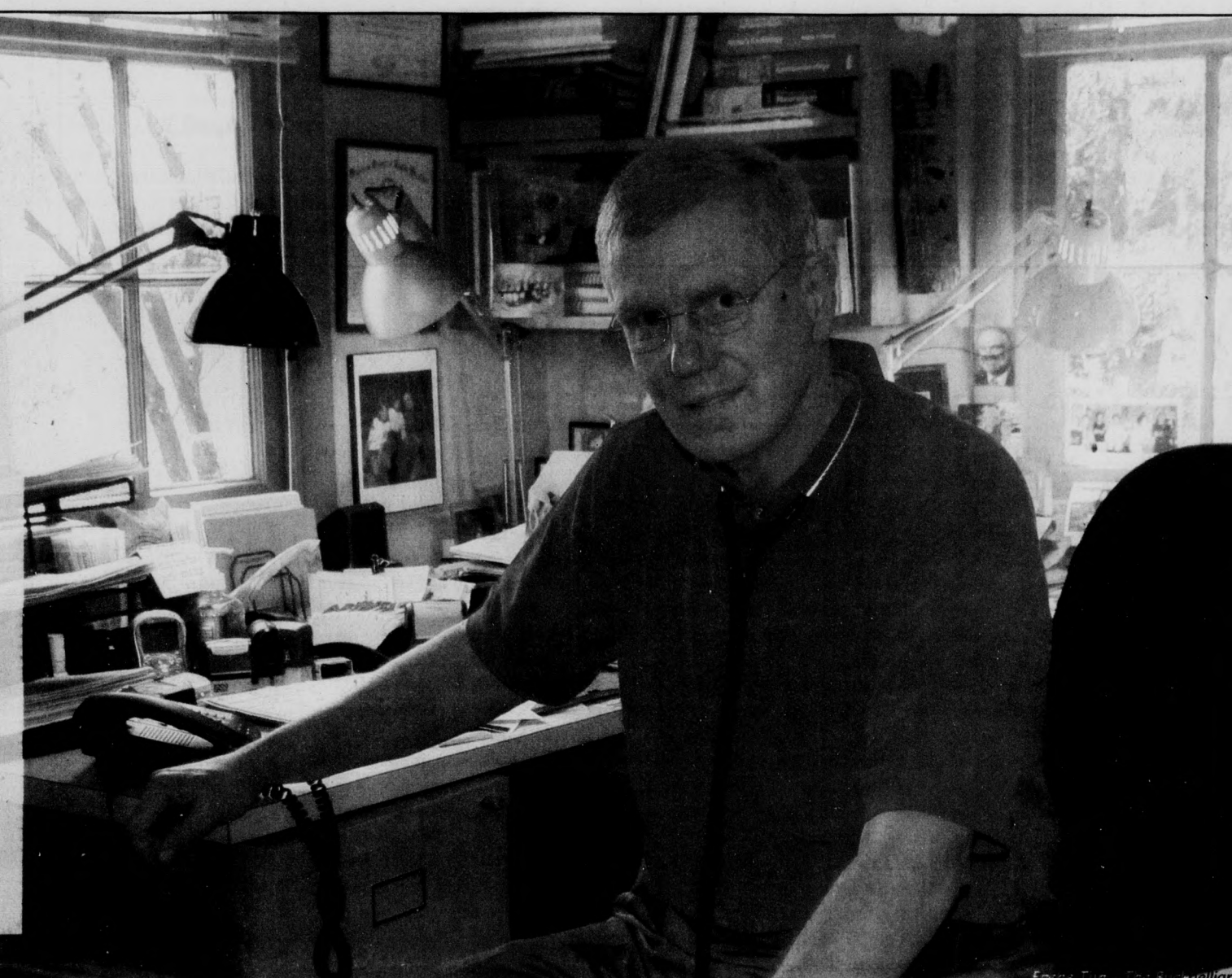
Aside from being medical director of Student Health Services (SHS) since August of 1992, secretary Diane Walter described Stechschulte as an educator, administrator, volunteer and family man.

"I would best describe him with the four C's: compassionate, conscientious, caring and committed," she said. "He is wonderful to the staff; his patients come first; he's a pleasure to work with. He makes time for everybody—I don't know how he does it."

Stechschulte's caring nature for students and their general welfare is evident through his involvement on campus reaching beyond his work at SHS. It was the desire to help others that drew Stechschulte into medicine in the first place.

After graduating from college, Stechschulte

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CRISTIE WINKLER

— PRESIDENT OF FLAG&BT —

By Rina Van Orden
Associate Editor of Layout

Meeting with Cristie in the 7th Street Café, one of her most common haunts on campus, she is cheerful and friendly in spite of the pages of homework and the call of a paper that she needs to write. Her open and laidback demeanor make her very easy to talk to as we sit and chat about her accomplishments on campus.

Originally from West Babylon, Long Island, Winkler applied to the University after her mom persuaded her to fill out an application. Winkler admits that she was originally reluctant, but that as soon as she set foot on campus, she did not want to consider anywhere else. Winkler will be graduating this spring with a double major in anthropology and psychology.

When I ask her about her motivations for working with the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Awareness, she simply replies "I don't have a story to tell, I just saw a social injustice on this campus and I wanted to do something about it. I'm very passionate."

When a friend suggested

working with the LGBT Office, Winkler began her involvement six weeks into her freshman year through work-study. She started out taking care of paper work and office maintenance, and got more involved as time went on.

By the time her sophomore year rolled around, she undertook putting together the National Coming Out Day Support List of administrators, staff and faculty members. From there she began taking on her own projects in the direction she wanted to go and making vast strides

for LGBT awareness on campus. She is currently the student manager of the LGBT Office.

Winkler said that it never crossed her mind that being a part of the LGBT Office would put her in a controversial position or that her sexuality would be questioned.

"It was disappointing to think that students would automatically think I was gay," she said.

She spent spring semester of her junior year abroad on Semester

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JESS SCOTT

— FOCUS THE NATION COORDINATOR —

By Lenore Flower
Opinions Editor

Jess Scott '08 is much more than an extremely involved and hardworking member of the campus community: she is a force of nature.

Scott became involved with the Environmental Center as a first-year student, when she was volunteered to be a member of the Environmental Center Steering Committee. Since that point, she has been integral to most efforts for environmental at the University.

"Jess is fondly known around the Environmental Center as our 'Chief of Staff,'" said Sustainability Coordinator Dina El-Mogazi. "Her reputation reflects the fact that she is highly organized, strategic, and assertive in her work, and really gets things done."

Now a paid intern at the Environmental Center, Scott has been integral in organizing and publicizing many events within the Susquehanna River Initiative, Bucknell Greening Initiative and the Environmental and Humanities Residential Colleges.

"I just think that there's a certain moral responsibility we all have to take care of the earth. Somehow, that moral responsibility has been lost over time," said Scott. "I think that a focus on doing something that makes a difference, that really changes the world around me for the better, drives what I do."



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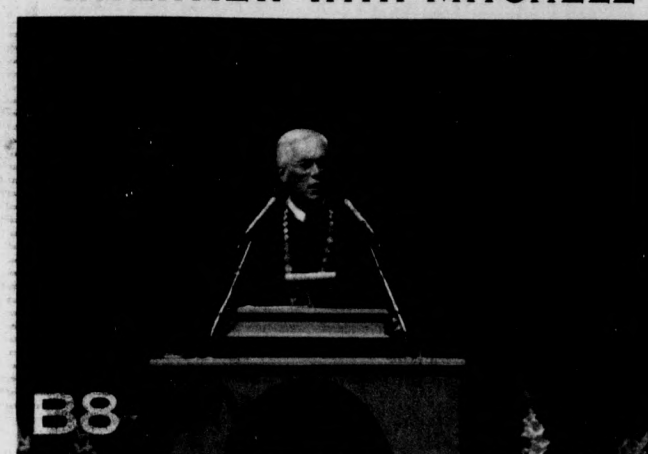
Scott is also the leader of the Solar Scholars Program at the University, a solar energy design and education program made possible by a grant two years ago from the Sustainable Energy Fund. She is responsible for organizing workshops at the Environmental Center, which educate about the design, siting and installation of small-scale residential solar arrays.

Her most impressive effort to date, however, has been organizing the University's participation in "Focus the Nation," a nationwide movement to draw attention to

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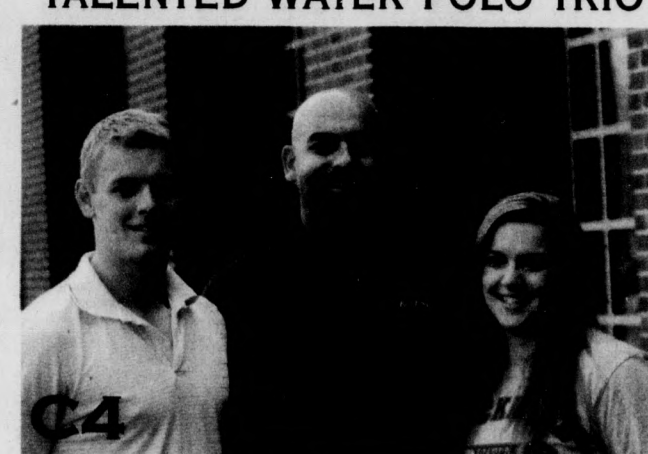
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BEST OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Thursday, Aug. 23, 2007

ALARM / FIRE
Bucknell West: Caused by a hair dryer.

DISTURBANCE
23 University Ave.: Student painted lines in parking lot.

THEFT
Golf Course: Flag found and returned.

Friday, Aug. 24

ALARM / FIRE
Bucknell West: Caused by deodorant.

Sunday, Aug. 26

ALARM / FIRE
Bucknell West: Caused by AC condensation.

Saturday, Sept. 8

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Public Safety paper in tree.

Tuesday, Sept. 11

ALARM / INTRUSION
Biology building: Caused by paper blowing by a fan.

Saturday, Sept. 22

DISORDERLY CONDUCT
7th Street Café: Urinating in public.

Thursday, Nov. 8

ALARM / FIRE
Swartz Hall: Caused by air freshener.

Friday, Nov. 9

ASSIST / OTHER
Lewisburg Borough: Barbecue found in the creek.

Wednesday, Nov. 21

PROPERTY / RECOVERED
McDonnell Hall: Shop-

ping cart and parking cone.

Thursday, Jan. 24, 2008

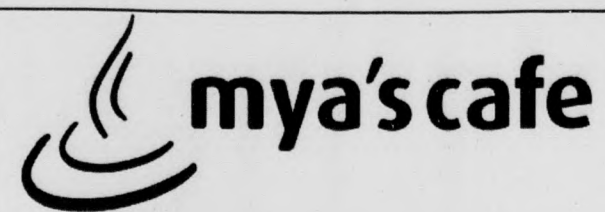
MOTORIST LOCKOUT
Moor Eave lot: Keys locked in vehicle.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

ASSIST / PUBLIC
Davis Gym: Employee dispute.

Monday, April 7

ALARM / INTRUSION
Computer Center: Caused by fax machine.



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at Sea, and when she crossed the equator she followed an old Navy tradition and shaved her head, donating her hair to locks of love. She never thought twice about what she had done, but when she arrived back on campus a good friend repeatedly asked her if she was now a lesbian. "Heterosexism is everywhere on this campus," she said.

Winkler is also serving as the President of Friends of Lesbian and Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (FLAG&BT), a group dedicated to providing a safe and informal setting in which LGBT students and allies can discuss LGBT issues freely.

She is the leading presenter and coordinator of the Safe Space program which helps to establish safe spaces for members of the LGBT community within sororities, fraternities, athletics and other organizations and offices on campus.

"I am very proud of the work Christie has accomplished this year with the Safe Space Peer Education Program, her leadership with FLAG&BT and her commitment to real inclusiveness at Bucknell," said Fran McDaniel, Director of the Office of LGBT Awareness.

Since her sophomore year Winkler has been compiling staff and faculty members who wish to be on the National Coming Out Day Support List. Winkler created the first ever student support list this year and was extremely happy with the results. Winkler and others in the LGBT office kept the numbers secret from McDaniel and a colleague. Winkler said they expected around 500 students to be listed, and when the actual total 1,156, they both had tears of joy in their eyes. "It was an amazing moment, helping them to see the change we've made at Bucknell," Winkler said.

Winkler has helped friends come out on campus and says those are some of the most rewarding times to be part of the LGBT office. "It's little moments like that that inspire me — when I see someone become more comfortable and be able to tell someone else they are gay and share their story, and know that they are going to a better place," she said.

Her friends admire her for her passion and tenacity. "Every day she inspires me with her tireless work ethic and compassionate drive to help those around her. What is most awe-inspiring is her ability to awaken compassion in others. She lights up a room with her genuine personality and never fails to evoke a laugh or smile — even through tears," says Amanda Stewart, one of Christie's best friends.

If Winkler could get across one message to the community at large, Winkler wants people to be able to see that life extends beyond themselves and to use their own voices more rather than sticking to the group mentality. "I want people to question what they see and hear before believing everything they told, and to gain a sense of moral courage," Winkler said. "I see a lot of hate and a lot of hurt. I want to speak up for people who can't speak for themselves," Winkler said.

Winkler said her greatest challenge in working for the LGBT office is not letting her emotions get involved. She gets upset when people use phrases like "that's gay" or "faggy" to refer to each other. "If I see someone not supporting the LGBT community, it provokes a lot of emotion, but I don't want to be hypocritical so I try to accept everyone else and their opinions



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and not take things personally," Winkler said.

"This is who I am, this is what I'm going to stand up for, and if you don't like it, too bad," Winkler said.

After college, Winkler plans on attending the School for International Training (SIT) to get a Masters in Social Justice in Intercultural Relations. She plans to continue her advocacy for human rights after to college and expand it beyond LGBT. "I like to keep a global perspective and help try to bridge the gap between people," Winkler said. She is also considering pursuing a PhD so she can become a professor and inspire another campus to get involved with social justice. Winkler is excited because she and her boyfriend, Danny Mun '08, will be attending SIT together this fall.

Winkler recently received the Bison Award of Excellence and an award for Exceptional Student Accomplishment in Diversity for her efforts on campus.

Winkler is also a member of the Delta Gamma sorority. "I will miss her energy and dedication next year as well as her presence. She has a great future and I wish her the best as she pursues her graduate degrees. I know she will be successful and she will always be a Bucknellian at heart," McDaniel said.



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Scott keep University focused

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global climate change.

"Her unusual talents at organizing and getting things done allowed the Center to host the Focus the Nation event on climate change that was among the best of any university in the country," said Peter Wilhosen, assistant professor of environmental studies. "It would not have happened without Jess's leadership."

On Jan. 31, students, faculty, staff and local community members gathered for the day-long event to address global climate change. Professors from 14 university departments provided their expertise in interdisciplinary discussion panels throughout the day. Various organizations, businesses, student bands, clubs and scientists provided individuals with educational displays and entertainment at the sustainability fair and luncheon. "Focus the Nation" engaged over 2,000 individuals from the University

and the surrounding area in environmental awareness and discussion.

"I couldn't have asked for a better event," said Scott.

Scott is also one of the main voices pushing for sexual assault awareness at the University. As a member of 1-in-4 since her first year and president of the organization for the last two years, Scott has consistently drawn attention to the difficult and rarely-discussed issue of sexual assault.

"It only took five minutes of listening to her speak at a 1-in-4 presentation to convince me that she knew what she was talking about," said Chrissy Friedlander '09, fellow 1-in-4 member. "I am always in awe of how she captures and audience's attention with her eloquence and passion for the cause. Her enthusiasm is contagious; people cannot help but be moved into action when Jess is around."

Scott understands the importance of her impact on others.

"If I change one person's mind about the way they think about sexual assault—I know I've done my job," Scott said. "It's something I just can't walk away from."

An Animal Behavior major, Scott attributes her fascination with science to Mr. Lerner, who taught her AP Biology and molecular genetics during high school.

"We have some of the best professors right here at Bucknell," she added. "I got involved in research freshman year, right away."

Her Professors are equally flattering.

"Jess Scott has been a spark-plug for civic and ecological issues on campus," said Elizabeth Capaldi Evans, assistant professor of biology and animal behavior. "I value her passion and dedication to environmentalism and expect that her energy will allow her to accomplish any goals that she sets."

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worked at earning his master's degree in theology at Princeton University. It took an unfortunate turn of events to change his mind about his future endeavors.

"I was driving home from a movie one night and this car flew by me. I saw it weaving from lane to lane and all of a sudden it drove up over the curb," he said.

The car landed on top of a series of cars in the used car lot by the side of the road before it slammed into a lamp-post. "I was sort of the first one there," he said. "I climbed up on top of the car and looked into the window. There were three young men in the car."

According to Stechschulte, it looked like the driver and front seat passenger hit the windshield before becoming trapped under the dashboard. He called for an ambulance and waited until help arrived.

"I just stood there, and I felt totally helpless. I was a college graduate, and I was almost through graduate school, and here I didn't know how to help these

people," he said. "I never wanted to be in that situation again."

Stechschulte said the experience helped him make his final decision to pursue medicine. He now carries around his medicine bag in his car so he can be ready to deliver first aid or medical help when necessary.

Stechschulte summed up his pre-med education as "arduous." During his graduate school years, he attended night school to take classes such as organic chemistry and physics needed for a pre-med education. He also managed to balance his education with working three jobs to provide for his young family. Stechschulte believed that despite the hard work, his determination paid off in the end.

"You have your mind set on it, and it certainly proved to be the right thing for me," he said.

After many years of education, residency and medical practice, Stechschulte decided to take on a different role to make up for lost time with his family. This led him to apply for the position of medical director of SHS at the

University.

As the director SHS, he worked to upgrade and update equipment and programming. He helped acquire a new computer system, EKG machine and fully functional traveling clinic. He also helped create health programs specific to both students and staff. Bucknell Alive, an in-house wellness program for faculty and staff, lasted until it was moved from SHS to another department, where the program was discontinued.

Stechschulte also tried to implement a health risk appraisal program for graduating seniors. It was a 15-page survey questioning health and wellness habits. In return, participants received a 50-page report with health predictions based on answers. Due to a lack of funds, the program was discontinued.

Stechschulte has served on various committees and sexual assault and alcohol task forces. He also performs athletic physicals and is present at all athletic games.

Stechschulte's medical work is not confined to the University. He is an active member of the Bucknell Brigade,

attending all 19 Brigade trips and two class trips with Paul Susman, associate professor of geography. In Nicaragua he provides medical care in the clinic run and built by the Brigade.

He first heard about the Brigade in November of 1998. He said he was inspired to go to Nicaragua because of the "wonderful learning experiences" he had when he and University Chaplain Ian Oliver went to Haiti with students on a Witnesses for Peace delegation the year before.

He said he was proudest when he and members of the Brigade met after their first trip.

"The consensus was that we can't walk away from these people. We can't just leave them there after having experienced what we experienced," Stechschulte said.

It was from this meeting the idea to build the clinic came to him.

Stechschulte drew sketches for the clinic, and sent them to his cousin, an architect. He shortly received the architectural designs that helped the Brigade

to build their clinic.

At the Nicaraguan clinic, Stechschulte sees about 25-45 patients a day. He works with two Nicaraguan doctors, who also see the same amount of people. Students on the Brigade aid Stechschulte with patients and help in the clinic's pharmacy.

In addition to helping people through his medical practice, Stechschulte has a passion for teaching. During his seminary, he taught biology and coached at The Lawrenceville School in New Jersey. He even served as a substitute teacher in Pittsburgh during his years in medical school. At the University he teaches a Foundation Seminar with Oliver.

"I love teaching," Stechschulte said. "I've always enjoyed teaching, or learning. I should say. You always learn so much more when you teach."

Stechschulte traveled a long road to reach where he is now. His dedication, hard work and compassion for others have helped him to reach this point, and all serve as fine examples for University students.

If you cannot meet with the doctor right away, don't despair. He is worth the wait.

JOHN TRIMMER '10

In one week in Nicaragua, I probably got to know Dr. Stechschulte better than most of the people on campus. Even though I never had the opportunity to work with him in the clinic down there, I could see the tremendous impact he made in the lives of so many people. Almost everyday, he and a few others would drive to the clinic, and Dr. Stechschulte would spend the day treating basically anyone who came through the door. He goes to Nicaragua twice a year, leaving family, friends, and comfort behind to help whoever he can in whatever way he can, and he does so much. From what I've heard, Dr. Stechschulte is the only doctor that many of his Nicaraguan patients ever see. But if you'd see him around campus, you'd have no idea of the work that he does. The only thing about him that might surprise his generous, loving heart is his unassuming, humble nature. In all the times I've seen him this semester, Dr. Stechschulte has never drawn attention to himself for the incredible things he's done. He simply comes across as a genuinely caring, gentle, and kind individual, which is enough to make him a great person in my book. But I now know that there is even more to this man, even more goodness and compassion beneath that humble exterior. In my opinion, he is a saint, and even the phrase "Person of the Year" does not do him justice.

IAN OLIVER, UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN

Don and I have co-taught the Foundation Seminar "Lust to Dust: Search for the Balanced Life" together for ten or more years, as well as leading a number of Bucknell Brigade trips together. As the title for the course shows, Don has a great sense of humor and loves jokes of all kinds — the broader the humor the better. I think that's one reason students connect with him so well — he's really a big kid in many ways. He loves teaching, and especially activities that push the boundaries a bit — like his infamous slide show on sexually transmitted diseases, or required service trips to help a former patient clean up her local farm. But behind the humor is a remarkable depth of principle and commitment. Without a second thought as to the personal cost, he will sign on to do what's right, what's best for the students, and what will make the world a fairer place. He's a person of great enthusiasm; he reads more than anyone I know, and he's always enthused about every new idea.

PAUL SUSMAN,
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF
GEOGRAPHY

Don is as much a teacher as a physician, teaching classes on campus and in Nicaragua, and using opportunities to engage students and others in the important questions that he continues to ask himself. He is also a terrific physician, as I know from my own experience. While treating people at Student Health or in Nicaragua, Don always seeks to understand more than the immediate symptoms and ailment and his genuine interest and concern is obvious to all. He looks at both the immediate and larger pictures as a physician and in his life. His insatiable curiosity is matched by his fine wit, creative verse, and extraordinary compassion. He is an inspiration.

JANICE BUTLER,
DIRECTOR OF SERVICE LEARNING

Whether it is pulling a cactus quill from an unlucky gringo, gingerly examining a child's belly for parasites, or carefully listening to the heart of an 80-year-old farm worker, Dr. Don has consistently shown compassion and care for hundreds of folks in Nicaragua who would otherwise go without medical attention. In addition, he seeks always, whether it's in the classroom or the exam room, to find the teachable moments and to challenge students and staff to be our better selves. He himself is always learning. I have seen Don reach out to football players in a workshop on sexual assault, offer assistance to a student with an eating disorder, and provide guidance to individuals in his foundation seminar. He can be serious, but he can also be playful — like when he sports fake buck teeth for a Brigade photo, or shows up in costume on your porch Halloween night encouraging you to elect him to office. We're fortunate to have him devote so much of his busy time to Bucknell and public service work. He's inspired a lot of people.

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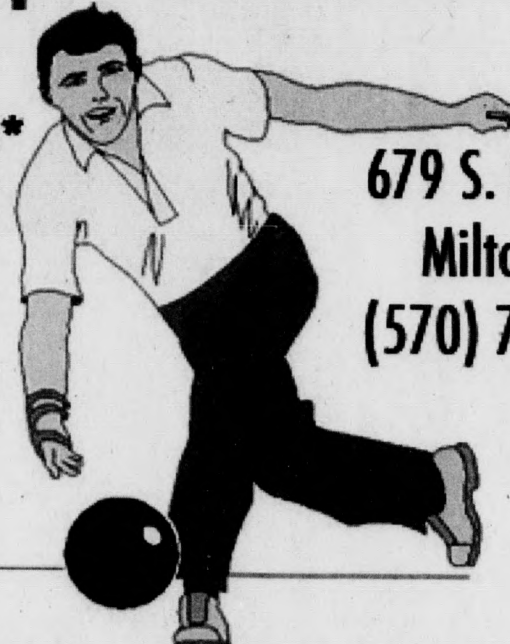
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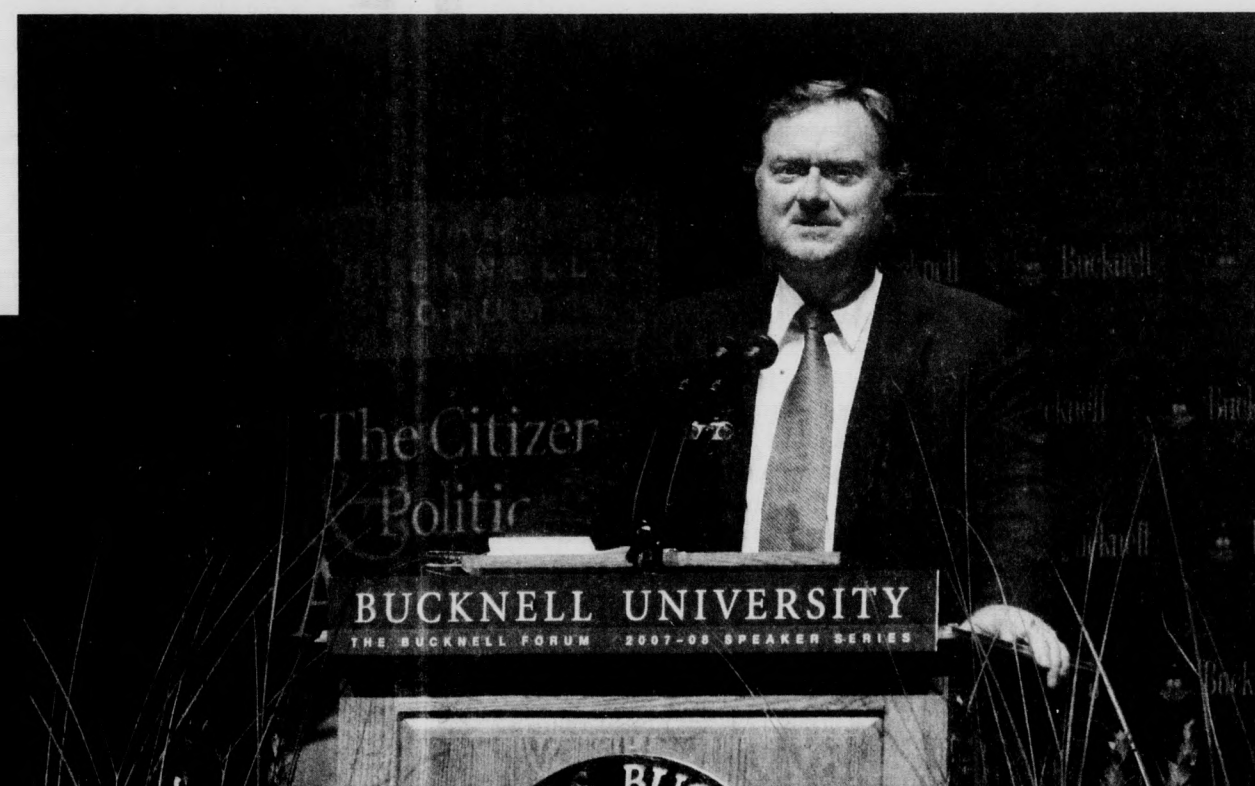
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2 memorable moments 8

Over the last four years at the University, major campus and world events, from the flood of 2004 to the writers strike, have framed the lives of the graduating seniors.

As the Class of 2008 walks through the gates of the Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium during Commencement, it symbolically leaves behind the University, but the students' memories of those events will never fade.

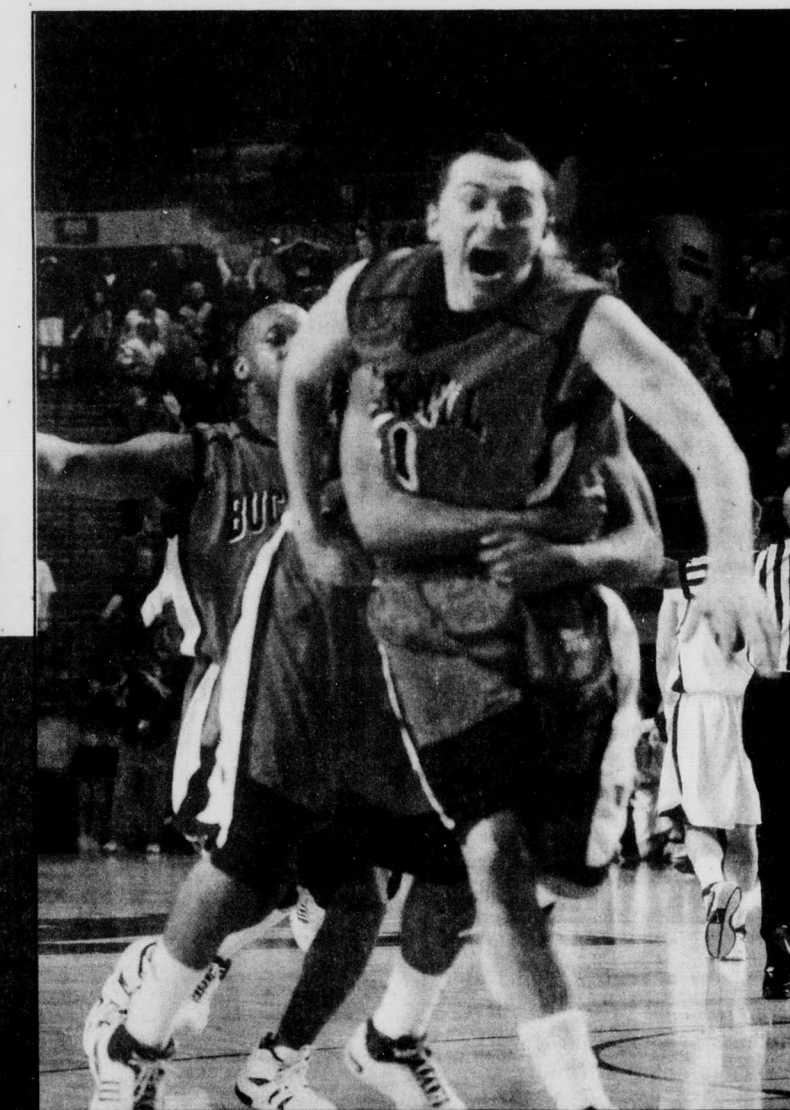
Tim Russert spoke in the Weis Center in September. Russert was the first speaker in the the year-long series "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen and Politics in America."



T-Pain and Third Eye Blind perform at the Spring Concert, April 5, 2008.



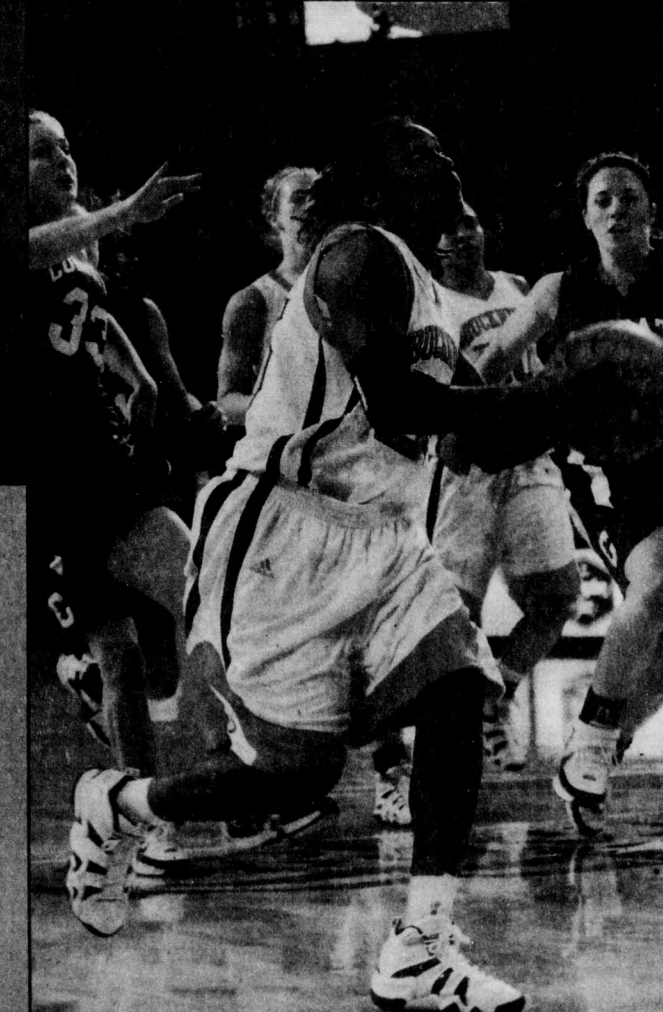
John Griffin '08 celebrates after sinking a 40-foot game-winning buzzer-beater in triple overtime against Navy in the quarterfinals of the Patriot League Tournament.



Comedian Jim Gaffigan performed for students and alumni at Homecoming in Gerhard Fieldhouse.



Chelsea Clinton spoke in the Weis Center Lobby April 3 to promote her mother's presidential campaign.



Kesha Champion '08 was named Patriot League Tournament MVP, leading the Orange and Blue to its second Patriot League Tournament title and a trip to the NCAA Tournament.



A bus carrying the second-place Little League team from Japan and a team from Taipei was engulfed in flames, Aug. 27 on the corner of Route 15 and Moore Ave.

Senior Reflections

With graduation only weeks away, The Bucknellian's senior staff members look back and move forward after four years in and out of the newsroom.

Jared Napolitano

Former Business Manager

"Don't let your schoolwork get in the way of your college education," reads the Nalgene bottle I purchased freshman year from a fundraising sale held by the Outing Club. And while undoubtedly this Nalgene bottle has been very much worth the \$10 I paid for its hydrating purpose, I cannot help but think of how potent the Mark Twain quote on it is in a retrospective examination of the last four dynamic years.

I have learned a lot about myself over my college career, but most importantly I feel I have achieved a full and comprehensive education of not just classroom lessons, but of cultural exposure, artistic development and simply how like minds interact on an everyday basis.

One constant of my college experience has been The Bucknellian. From literally day one of freshman year until just a few days before graduation, I have been involved with the publication in some capacity. Be it when I was thrown into the fire as a sports layout editor, or once I was promoted to the rank of associate editor, or during my two-year stint managing the near six-figure budget as business manager, or in my final and least demanding role as advertising manager.

Writing for the paper has always functioned concurrently with my other responsibilities. Producing men's golf articles as the beat writer, national sports coverage and opinion, and even a few outliers like a piece on Texas Hold 'Em poker, I found my name on the byline to be such a rewarding experience Friday mornings.

Fortunately enough, my "education" here has not just included graphic design or writing about Bison athletics. In an array of classes, I have learned a great deal from many elite professors.

I've learned there is no such thing as a free lunch from one of my accounting professors. From the same one, I realized "no pain, no gain, no risk, no rate of return," which is not just a financial principle but a life principle. I've acquired a working knowledge of sustainability and spreadsheets. I've learned about the studies of St. Augustine and Karl Marx. I was taking Astronomy as Pluto was deemed to no longer be a planet. I was immersed in the European Union, the UEFA Champions League and the economics of sports. I've been a part of a real-life business

and wrote an issue memo on global climate change. I've learned truly that the final grade does not matter, but the challenge exacted on the students here and the exposure to such a wide range of topics is truly what a liberal arts education is all about.

My biggest fear upon graduation was having regrets of things left undone. Luckily, I can say I have done my parents right by making the most of the resources, facilities and individuals existing on this beautiful campus.

Experiencing Greek Life and developing a base of friends I will have for the rest of my life is certainly a highlight. Some of my fondest moments as an undergraduate will simply be sitting around and recalling adventurous weekends and enjoying countless laughs in the process.

Through the University and my active involvement with just three main activities—Chi Phi, Lambda and The Bucknellian—I have gone to some neat places on another's tab. Visiting Las Vegas, Chicago, New Orleans three times and even a place that makes Lewisburg look like a booming metropolis, Maryville, Mo., were all amazing experiences that enabled me to travel to new places despite not going abroad.

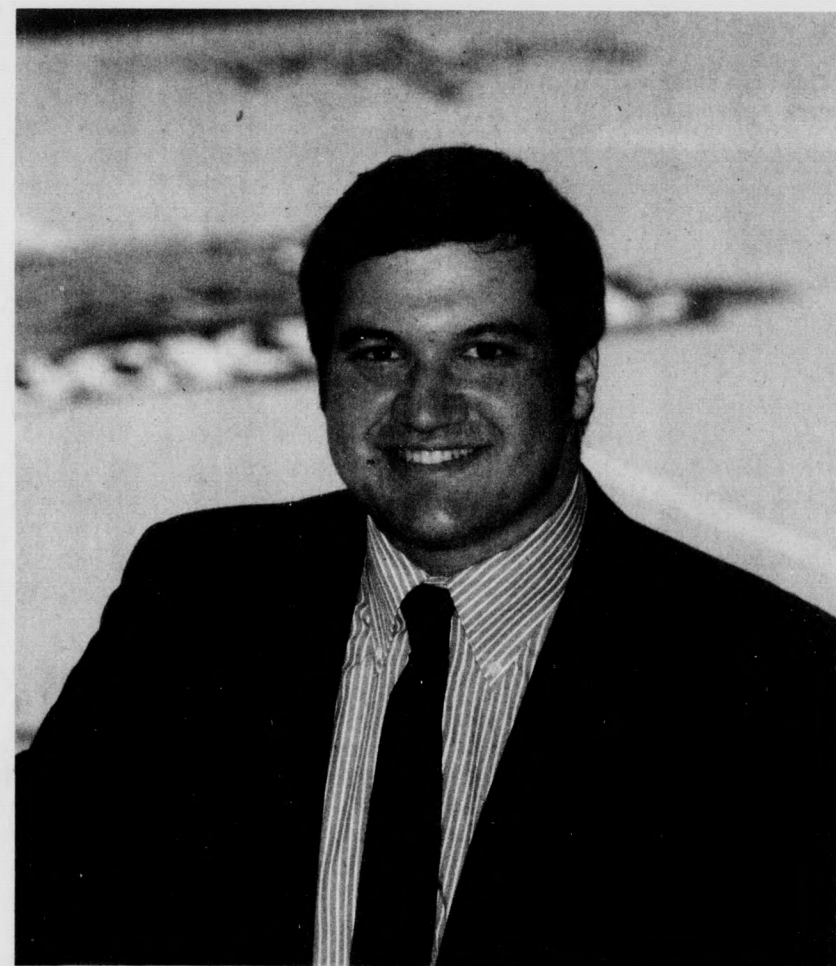
College has taught me the magnificence of coffee. Supporting the men's basketball team actively for four years enabled me to live school spirit, even during a seven-hour bus

ride home from Worcester, Mass. My time management and writing skills have sharpened to a point where I can produce a coherent eight-page paper in two hours. I've become a Mac lover through my experiences at both The Bucknellian and the yearbook. And I've learned there is really nothing more soothing than a beautiful sunny day on this green campus.

In a truly reflective mode, I will always remember being a part of one of the best Greek systems in America. I can revel in the fact I was a part of two consistently award-winning publications. I can say I played 7-on-7 soccer like when I was a kid during the Kappa Klassic. I was happy to participate in rugby for two years, despite the bloody noses and few near-concussions.

But ultimately, despite all I have learned, experienced and enjoyed, my true measure of a successful college career will be the friendships and relationships I will carry through the rest of my life. I'm elated I do not have enough fingers and toes to count the people who I'd love to and plan to never lose touch with.

From what these fantastic individuals have taught me about the world, themselves and myself, I attribute a phenomenal education that while the University's tuition may come close, cannot be achieved through a monetary expenditure.



Sara Roth

Features Editor

Freedom has been on my mind lately. At first I was unspeakably excited to be free from the University, free from living in the middle of Pennsylvania, free from residing in a dorm. But as graduation nears, I realize all of the freedoms I will be giving up as I embark on my life in the "real world." Yes, I will be able to choose my location and living space, but there are so many opportunities at this University that will disappear once I receive my diploma.

I think that sometimes students forget how many opportunities they have to do exactly what they want on this campus.

Do you want to hold a forum? Go right ahead.

Want to start a club? Absolutely. BSG will give you money for it.

Want to learn how to play an instrument, speak a language or play a sport? There is a venue for all of that.

We are here for four years; therefore, we only have four years to try all of the opportunities that the University has to offer. Don't

waste this time you have to begin shaping yourself. Once the real world begins, we won't have as much time to indulge in activities like learning to rock climb, jumping out of an airplane, trying your hand at government or writing for a newspaper.

The former director of the Women's Resource Center, Micheala Denny, gave me an invaluable piece of advice that I think about every day. She told me that as students, we have more power than administrators because we can't get fired. We shouldn't be afraid to stand up for what we want, for what we believe in. We are the employers of this University. As students, we need to make this University work for us.

This University has given me so much that I am now just beginning to appreciate. I have gotten a kick-ass education, some great friends, and met many influential people.

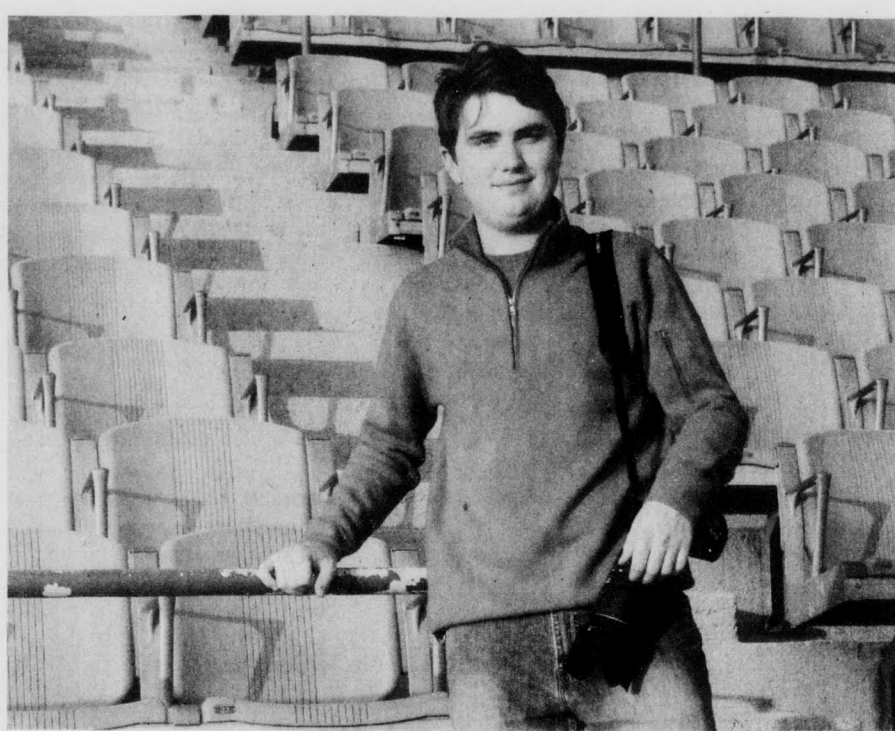
I've been able to study with first-class professors including Robert Rosenberg, Michael Payne, John Rickard, Mara DeGennaro, Shara McCallum, Jean Peterson and Richard Fleming. I also want to thank Paula Closson Buck, Andy Ciotola, Erin Batykeeler and Jenna Silvi at West Branch Magazine for helping me realize that yes,

I want to work in publishing and yes, it is okay not to make much (any?) money.

Of course I also have to thank the talented, driven and passionate staff at the Bucknellian. I got in the game late—I started writing for the newspaper my junior year. However, once I started I had to get more involved. Being an editor is a huge time commitment and may seem thankless, but the gratification of seeing your work in print every week is unbeatable. I encourage anyone who has an interest in publishing to get involved at the Bucknellian. It has taught me so much about the publishing process and loaded my portfolio with writing clips.

Rina, Michelle, Saylor, Brianna, Lily, Nilanjana, Sophia and the rest of the Bucknellian staff—thank you for making my time at the paper so memorable. I will miss you all.

Lastly, I have to thank my family. Mom, Dad, Bill and my ladies—I know it took a little longer than we all thought, but I'm here. Thank you for all your support; you have given me the biggest freedom of all: that of time. Thank you for waiting for me to find myself. Can I pay you back in gratitude?



Ryan Winn

Former Photo Editor

Few people know this, but I very nearly transferred during freshman year. If it was not for my involvement with the paper, I probably would have, and that would have been a mistake. Because my time here has been the most ridiculous, most infuriating and most amazing I have ever had. I made the right choice coming to the University, but the best choice I have ever made was choosing to give it a second chance.

My love of the paper did not stem from the backstage passes to concerts or even from sitting on the court with the guys covering the game for ESPN. Though I have to say, something special happens when you become part of the game, at least until you get tackled. As insane as these experiences were, they only played a minor role. In truth, it was the endless hours I spent in the newsroom. Now that may sound odd, especially to those who know me well, because it was this same time that very nearly drove me mad. Yet, I could not seem to keep away.

It was the people. The very same people who had nearly driven me crazy the week before with nearly impossible layouts and last minute photos—they kept me coming back. I do not believe I will ever find a more eclectic, more intelligent or more utterly baffling group of people. Every night was a new adventure. And so, more than anything else, I want to thank these amazing people who have made my life here what it is. While there was too many to name, I will keep a promise I made this time last year. Mike this is for you.

What is the point of all of this, how does my mildly insane nostalgia affect you? I can only offer this simple kernel truth. We all know that in order to get the most out of your college experience you must get in-

involved. It only makes sense to find something that can truly become your own. However, that is not enough. If there is anything my time with the paper has taught me, it is that for a sleepy town in Central Pennsylvania there is a heck of a lot going on here—you just need to search it out.

For three years I barely went a week without attending a concert or theater production, and heaven forbid I miss a home game. I only bring this up because I believe it is in the events that fall off the beaten path you may find the heart of the college experience. Everyone can brag about seeing the MythBusters, or attending Shipwrecked, but how many of can say you attended a piano burning? And yet without my obligation to the paper I, like the vast majority of the students here, probably would not have attended even a small fraction of these events. It is often sad how poorly attended some of them were.

I have no desire to mount the high horse, because I honestly do not deserve the ride. All I want to ask is who of you remember Thornbird? If anyone even recognized the name I would be impressed. Thornbird played at Uptown to a crowd of less than 15 people, and yet the group may have given the greatest concert I have seen on this campus. The band had come to play, and a little thing like an empty house was not going to stop it. Because it was not here for the crowd, it was not here for the money; no Thornbird were just here to have fun. It was doing what it loved, and that is why the show was so special.

And so now I ask you, why are you here? This may be the only question you have to truly answer before you leave this remarkable place. You need to know what it is you really want, and trust me that will never be an easy question, but it is the only one that matters. As for me, I came here to learn but I stayed here to live, I stayed here to love, and most of all I stayed here to have a damn good time.



Brian Mulligan

Sports Editor

I didn't know what the University had in store for me when I stepped onto campus four years ago this August. All of my older brother's friends kept saying college was going to be the best four years of my life. They were right. Being here over the past four years has been the best time of my life.

Now that I'm going into the "real world" in a couple months, I've realized a lot about what I have taken away from my time on campus. It's interesting looking back on your life and seeing why you took the specific path to where you are today. It involves a set of trials and errors to realize what you truly enjoy and excel at.

Before coming to the University, I

was dead set on going to medical school and becoming a pediatrician. I loved all of the biology courses I took in high school, and I had come into the University majoring in biology. By taking some business courses and hating an internship with an internal medicine doctor, my view changed drastically. Four years later, I'm a double major in management and biology and will begin work in July for a financial services firm. It's weird to look back and realize I had such a narrow view of what I was going to do with my education.

I also think your path in life is altered by small decisions you make and problems you encounter. Toward the end of my first year at the University, my roommate and I were sitting in our room and decided to apply to be orientation assistants on a whim. As a result, we were orientation assistants our sophomore year and then were lucky enough to be

orientation leaders both our junior and senior years. Being involved with orientation has been one of the defining experiences of my career here. I had the opportunity to work with a great group of people in putting together a program to acclimate new students to the campus.

Trying new things was also something else on my agenda going into college, and it's interesting to see how one thing leads to another. My short foray with men's club crew team introduced me to a completely different social circle and also opened doors into new avenues on campus. I would have never even thought of joining The Bucknellian staff (I hated writing all throughout high school) if I hadn't been asked by my crew team buddy, editor-in-chief at the time, to write for the women's crew team. Writing for the women's crew team led to being a sports editor for seven semesters along with writing at least one article each week. I would have never expected to be on the school newspaper staff when I began my first semester at the University.

Some people at this time in this life look back and say, "What could I have done differently?" or "How could I have used my life more effectively?" I've come to realize that what is done is done and you cannot change the past. You can appreciate the past and the people that have enriched your life. When I look back over the past four years of my life, I've found lifelong friends, experienced a massive amount of growth and have a plethora of incredible memories that I will always associate with the University.

Looking forward, I realize there is a new path for me to blaze as I have on campus, and I must know I have to take chances and try new things because who knows. I received a paperweight for my high school graduation that has an amazing quote on it for the future. It says, "What would you attempt to do if you could not fail?" I hope I will be able to internalize that quote upon leaving the University and pursuing future endeavors.

Kimberly Kane

Former A&E Editor

As a second semester senior, I've taken a light course load. I'm indulging in my third Shakespeare class and ballet after a five-year dance hiatus. Needless to say, I've had a lot of time to reflect on my time at the University, but that didn't make it any easier to write this.

Upon reflection, I realized I learned a lot while I was here. At \$40,000 a year, I better have learned a lot. Maybe for my senior reflection, I thought, I should share all that knowledge with those students who will be here long after I leave. Don't worry, I'm not delusional. I am in no way qualified to give anyone else advice. Instead, I've decided to give advice to myself.

This reflection is a letter to my 18-year-old freshman self, with her orientation lanyard and room key on a hair tie, from my 22-year-old senior self, with her English degree and marketing job. This is the list of all the things that, if I could, I'd go back in time and clue myself in on.

Find a cheap, warm, jacket. Call it your "frat jacket" and whenever you go out, don't ever expect to see it again.

Don't worry about falling asleep at 8 p.m. during a night of House Party. Everyone does it. It's practically a rite of passage. Also, don't bother doing your hair or worrying about what to wear during House Party. It's going to rain and everyone will be too drunk to notice anyway.

If you're really serious about trivia night at the Bull Run Inn, become a geography major. Three-quarters of the questions will be about lakes you've never even heard of.

Buy stock in Crocs. And leggings. When choosing your major, do what feels right. If reading and discussing Shakespeare is your favorite thing to do, then read and analyze Shakespeare. You have an academic advisor. Go to her and ask her what you can do with an English degree. You don't have a boyfriend advisor or a what-to-eat-at-the-Bison advisor. In this case, you should also trust your gut, and don't be too hard on yourself when you make the wrong choice. At worst, you'll end up with life experience or indigestion. In some cases, both.

Tragic events will occur while you are here. Grasp the hands of your freshmen hall mates when you lose one of your own. Grasp the hands of the entire campus when, along with the rest of the country, you grieve for another campus rocked by violence. Remember that the Bucknell "bubble" doesn't have to mean isolation and apathy. It can mean comfort, support, understanding and community, especially in times of loss.

There's a little place called "Mini-Mart's" located next to the Admissions office. It's unbelievably convenient, cheaper than the Bison, and you get to make friends with Terry, one of University's nicest employees. Discover it before junior year.

Write for The Bucknellian every week, even if you don't have time or don't want to. You will get to interview some of the most fascinating and passionate people on campus. You'll work with people like Lily, Rina and Matt, some of the most creative minds on campus. And you get free stuff in the mail and pizza Tuesday nights. Most importantly, some of the best friends you'll ever make are on The Bucknellian staff—Dave, Jared, little Babs and little Evan. There's no end to what you can learn from all of them.

Don't wait until you are writing your senior reflection to put into words exactly how much your best friends mean to you. Lindsay, Denise, Sarah, Kat and Megan will be there through broken hearts, broken teeth and broken feet. They'll be there for date parties, games of Bang!, food fights and fish funerals, and someday they will be there for wedding parties and real funerals. Treasure every second you have with them, and look forward to the next time you'll meet.

That's the short list. There are many more things I could go on about—which concerts to skip, which classes to take, exactly how to survive recruitment, the importance of going on spring break, the benefits of Rockstar. There are some things you'll have to learn for yourself. In fact, it's a good thing this letter is imaginary, because, as scary as the past four years have been, the most fun has been figuring it out for myself. Well, mostly by myself. I can't say I could have done it without a little help from my friends.



Michael Dippery

Former Opinions Editor

I wasn't sure how to approach this senior reflection. This is the first time I've ever graduated from college, so I've never written one of these things before. Since it will be one of my last pieces published in The Bucknellian, I wanted to ensure I went out with a bang.

I'm assuming most people use this article to reflect on his or her time at The Bucknellian and at the University in general—hence the "reflection" part. But I want to be different. I want to be a trendsetter. So I'm going to take a moment to look ahead.

Yes, I'm graduating. As much as I've enjoyed my time at the University, I'm excited to get out of here. There are three key reasons, and they're all pretty simple:

1. I want a comfortable place to watch TV. I don't watch TV or movies a whole lot, and part of the reason is my dorm room is a very uncomfortable place. I have to sit or lean against my bed and watch my TV shows or movies on my 12-inch iBook. That's strictly less than fun. I can't wait until next year when I have an apartment with a slightly larger TV and a couch—or at least a futon.

2. I'll be able to eat ice cream. Like most college students, I have a mini-fridge. The "freezer" is basically a cold metal box. It doesn't freeze anything. It keeps things really, really cold, which is important for fine beverages like Mountain Dew, but really, really cold doesn't cut it when it comes to ice cream. By definition, ice cream must be kept in a frozen environment. By next year, I should have a real refrigerator with a working freezer, and I can't wait.

3. I'll be able to eat macaroni and cheese whenever I want. I only have declining balance, and The Bison doesn't serve macaroni and cheese. I've missed it. A lot.

Those are the primary issues on which I'd like to reflect, but I feel I'd be shortchanging my readers if I didn't talk about my four years at the University, or at least mention my history as a Bucknellian writer and editor.

"Did I say 'history'?" I actually meant "wild ride." My five semesters as an editor for The Bucknellian were by no means noteworthy, and I've had much more fun as a writer. Writing for The Bucknellian has not only allowed me to express myself and some of my crazier ideas, but also taught me a lot.

One lesson I've learned from my four-year career as a college newspaper writer (and, indeed, from my four-year

career as a college student) is it's the little things in life that matter most. I realized the truth of this statement through my weekly column, of all things. My column was an obscure part of The Bucknellian Ops section until one fateful week when I wrote about the lack of price tags in The Bison. To me, this had the quality of my usual rants—namely, a stunning lack of importance. But I still remember that single column briefly made me a celebrity in The Bison. I could hardly walk into the place without someone telling me how spot-on my complaint was.

Frankly I was shocked. I didn't write about anything nearly as serious as my Ops counterparts. My column ran opposite a column about feminist rights—you know, stuff that matters.

The whole crazy situation really made me realize just how important the little things are.

It is, after all, the little things, the little decisions, that built me up into the person I am today. It was four years' worth of little details that took me from a freshman English student to a graduating computer science major. Who knew the professor of my first computer science class would end up advising me on a summer-long research project, act as second reader for an honors thesis and guide me on the path to graduate school? Would things have been different had someone else been teaching that course that semester? Maybe, maybe not, but four years at college has shown little things like that can have quite an effect indeed.

And in the end, it's the little things making me excited to finally graduate and move on. My four years at the University have been nothing short of pleasant, and from a big-picture perspective, I'll always look fondly back upon my college years. I'll always remember the most exciting classes, the best professors (and the worst, too, I guess), the most ridiculous students and the best friends I've made. I'll remember growing from a naive freshman thinking he already knew everything, to a seasoned graduate knowing an entire lifetime is not enough time to learn everything he doesn't.

But I'll be happy to once again live in a place I don't have to move into or out of several times a year. I took the idea of a permanent residency for granted before going to college, but now I know the importance of such an arrangement.

I'll also be happy to once again have modern conveniences like air conditioning, which I haven't enjoyed in my bedroom for the past two years.

And, of course, I look forward to having ice cream and mac 'n' cheese on demand.

So long, Bucknell! It's time to part ways. I promise not to get too misty-eyed if you don't.

Other former editors or business associates that will be graduating this spring:

Katie Casteel - former advertising manager
Molly Clay (grad.) - former chief copy editor
Kathleen Conti - former chief copy editor
Greg Hamilton - former chief copy editor
Jamie Jacobson - former associate editor of content
Anna Juan - former chief copy editor
Janna Shapiro - former arts & entertainment editor
Hallie Stebbins - news editor
Drea Montelongo - former sports editor

Thank you for your contributions to The Bucknellian!!

SENIOR REFLECTIONS

Matthew Saylor

Associate Editor of Content

The last Bison men's basketball game I was to attend as a student was in Annapolis, Md. against Navy. The Patriot League Tournament quarterfinal game was scheduled for a Wednesday evening, and I cleared my schedule so I could travel to the game in a press capacity and have the article written for that Friday's edition of The Bucknellian immediately upon my return.

As I made my way to the Kenneth Langone Athletics and Recreation Center (KLARC) facility that Wednesday afternoon to board the bus, I was talking with my mother on the phone, giving her my take on what kind of match-up that night's game would be.

Upon my arrival at the bus departure point at 2:55 p.m. (the bus was to leave at 3 p.m.), I walked inside and stopped at the desk outside the Krebs Family Fitness

Center. The bus was not here yet, so I asked the elderly gentleman working at the desk if there was perhaps another location where the bus was.

This man, who I've met before and have seen at every basketball game as he works at the scorer's table, greeted me with the harsh-sounding words I had ever heard. "The bus left," he grumbled.

"It's gone," he said. "It left?" "It left?" was the only response I was able to muster, shoulders slumping, my hand gripping the cell phone harder.

"It's gone," he scowled. "The bus left at 3 p.m." "It's not three o'clock yet," I protested, feeling my legs start to go numb.

He looked at his watch, grunted

and sneered "It left. I do not know about the time, but it's gone."

Funny how he now did not know about the time; not so funny that the bus left.

As I lifted my phone back to my ear, I heard my mom say to my sister "the bus left without him." She knew the rest of our conversation was not going to go well.

I called my girlfriend and told her I was probably going to miss a quadruple overtime game.

So I spent that night as I had spent many others for Bison road games, whether for basketball, football or some special broadcast of another sport—alone in my room listening to the soothing tone of Doug Birdsong over the radio. It was a pretty pitiful sight to behold, especially when the Bison were trailing by 17 points in the second half.

Somehow, the Orange and Blue fighting spirit prevailed, and the game went into overtime. I was beginning to doubt I would physically be able to make it through the rest of the game without passing out from excitement.

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and thankfully, by overtime, three of my friends had gathered in my room to listen to the game and provide me with proper medical care.

In addition to the audio, I was able to find video of the game online. It was about 15 seconds behind the radio broadcast, but the picture was clear enough (and it was free). So we listened and watched.

As the game wound down, my one friend took to one knee and bowed his head as we all hoped and prayed for a positive outcome. We found ourselves down two points with only a precious few seconds left in the third overtime.

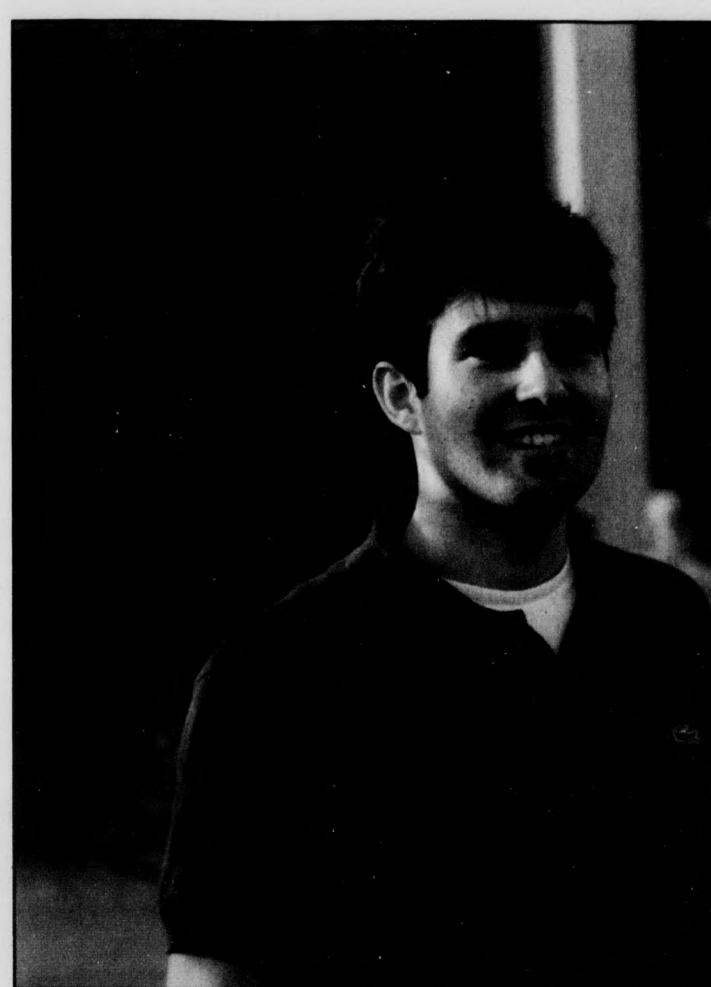
Then we heard the most beautiful sound ever to grace our ears. Bingo.

The only sound in my room was Birdsong's screaming voice, the four of us looking stunned at each other before scurrying over to my computer to watch the video. After what seemed like an eternity we saw the shot go in. It was then that we all screamed like girls at a Justin Timberlake concert.

The Bison won 87-86 on a 40-foot heave by John Griffin '08, a shot that would make national headlines, the last made shot of Griffin's storied career.

I realized that even though I missed the bus, I still went along for the ride. The experience of any moment, whether it be watching a sporting event or listening to a renowned speaker, eating lunch or going downtown, was made that much better because of the people who shared the experience with me. That night, my friends being there, whether the Bison were to win or lose, is the part I will remember.

This being my final shot, I will simply say to those who went on the bus ride of the last four years with me, thank you.



Andrew Larson

Former Editor-in-Chief

In college, you expect to make mistakes. You don't expect to be sued for libel.

As a first-year student and fledgling assistant news editor of The Bucknellian, I had the most exciting assignment of my life: an interview with a multimillionaire alumnus who had made significant donations to the school, but was involved in litigation that threatened to impact his wealth.

Over the phone, he was surprisingly affable. He loved the University and talked about his escapades in his fraternity and about the view overlooking the Susquehanna Valley from the Academic Quad. He declined to comment on his legal situation.

When I sat down to write, I knew I had a compelling story to share with the campus community.

I didn't know it almost would make national headlines. The article I wrote was fair and accurate in its portrayal of the person.

However, the details of his litigation that I gleaned from an interview with a University professor turned out to be false. I wrote that he was charged with insider trading; actually, he was being sued in a civil case.

It didn't take long after the article was published for me to find out that he was facing no criminal charges.

I learned this in a Friday-night telephone call from the alumnus' team of lawyers and public relations firm, who threatened the editor-in-chief and me with lawsuits for libel and defamation.

The next week, in an unprecedented move, The Bucknellian ran a front-page apology. We ran an op-ed piece entitled "Teachable Moments" written by University President Brian Mitchell. We wrote an editorial about responsible journalism. I'd never felt more ashamed.

I wanted to resign from The Bucknellian, scrap my plans to become a journalist and transfer to another school so that I could leave this disaster behind me.

The angst-filled days and sleepless nights paralyzed my ability to function or study. My GPA was a 2.2 that semester, and that was because I dropped the class I was going to fail.

Luckily, a summons never arrived and, by now, the statute of limitations has expired.

Looking back, I'm glad I remained at Bucknell and that my career as a journalist didn't end with a mistake. I can't say I don't regret the error, but it reinforced my understanding of the kindergarten cliché that you're responsible for your own actions—whether you're an 18-year-old student or the CEO of a corporation.

Journalists must not only be conscientious, but impec-

cably accurate. They are charged with seeking the highest degree of accuracy possible, because they don't just report to an editor—they're responsible for educating the public. A single falsehood can overshadow a thousand truths.

Every Friday, 5,500 copies of The Bucknellian are scrutinized by numerous stakeholders, and the editors can expect a deluge of emails and phone calls reminding them of their responsibility to fairness and truth. Whether there's a misprint in the crossword or a misquote from an administrator, the editor-in-chief is sure to hear.

Just as the public holds journalists accountable for what they publish, journalists serve the public good as watchdogs of those with power.

A billionaire might have lawyers and public relations firms working to protect his interests, but news organizations in this country are free and independent. The news must be reported truthfully, but also with an even hand.

The Bucknellian is self-funded through subscriptions and advertising revenue, and values its separation from the University and Bucknell Student Government. After the libel incident, The Bucknellian wisely refused to comply with outside pressure to cease coverage of wealthy alumni.

I wrote follow-up stories about the alumnus who wanted to sue me, and we continued to report on his life as we would with any other prominent person connected to the school. Even though I misreported an important fact, it would have been as egregious a mistake not to cover his litigation at all.

Ironically, one of the most high-profile lawsuits filed by former New York State Attorney General Eliot Spitzer, who in March resigned from his most recent post as governor, after the FBI found out he was having sex with prostitutes.

It still stings, the hypocrisy of a crusader of justice committing the most despicable of acts, as if superior to the very laws he helped enforce. The story made national headlines, and it should have.

No one should rejoice at the demise of a Spitzer, not even his adversaries, but it was a triumph for justice.

Through of my own failings as a reporter and as editor-in-chief, I've learned that no one is immune to criticism or imperious to mistakes.

Some mistakes are honest gaffes, others are malicious wrongs. Either way, you have to expect they won't go unnoticed.

It's a lesson the newspaper constantly reminds itself, as well as its readers: the danger of power unchecked.



Rina Van Orden

Former Editor-in-Chief

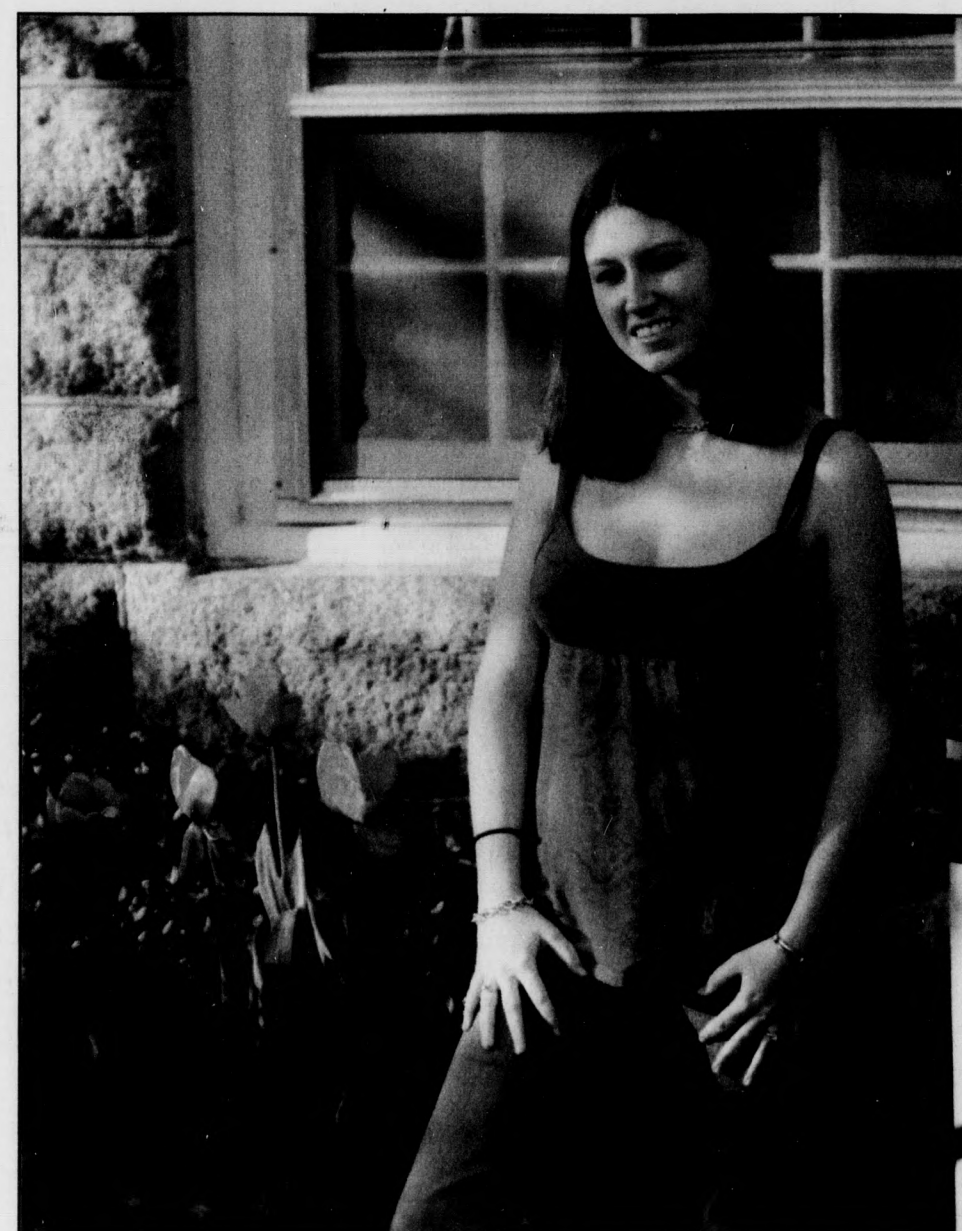
My first day on campus freshman year, I walked up to the editor-in-chief at the time and said "I want to write for the newspaper." I had never seen a copy of it, didn't know what the job would entail, didn't even know it was called The Bucknellian, but I wanted to be involved.

The following week I went to the interest meeting, and that night I became the features layout editor. Suddenly I felt like I had little experience with anything newspaper-related, though I had interned for the local paper in my hometown. I had no clue how to use Quark or any knowledge of the intricate rules of page design whatsoever. But the editor-in-chief saw my enthusiasm, and I was hooked for the rest of my college career.

The dingy basement in Roberts became my home on campus, whether I wanted it or not. In my early years as an editor, I was repeatedly wowed by the passion and intelligence of older staff members. At weekly editorial meetings, each editor seemed to have an opinion pushing me to look at every issue from different perspectives. Everyone seemed so intent on giving students a voice and in the know concerning everything on campus life. Sitting in the newsroom surrounded by these people, I couldn't help but feel I had so much to learn.

Since then I've found my bearings and moved up in the ranks. Sometimes it's hard for me to believe how far I've come from that timid freshman watching the staff wide-eyed, to holding one of the top three positions for half of my college career. Over the years, The Bucknellian has become this intense love-hate relationship for me. It's a full-time job we don't get paid for, and don't often get recognition for, and yet I have this twisted love of The Bucknellian, a drive bringing me back each and every week to make it better or think of something new. It can't be ignored.

So many memories come to mind each time I walk into our newsroom that they've all begun to blend together. Debating everything from arming public safety to why there's a moldy animal cracker taped to the wall. Thinking up awesome layouts and ingenious story ideas out of nowhere and seeing everyone excited to make it happen. Laughing hysterically in the wee hours of the morning as we became delirious from ink fumes and felt like we had nothing left to give. Screaming as we jumped on the couches while the bravest of us squashed whatever gigantic prehistoric silverfish or cockroach ran past our feet. Listening to Michael Bolton and singing "How Can We Be Lovers" at the top of our lungs. Gathering in the editor-in-chief office to bitch for an hour about the newest mini-crisis and all the other ways our lives were falling apart at that

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Employees claim Parkhurst unfair

By Sara Roth
Features Editor

In 2005 the University switched dining service companies from Sodexo to Parkhurst. Changes made to University dining included 24-hour service at 7th Street Café, 18-hour dining at Bostwick and the closing of Larson Dining Hall.

"I think that [the transition from Sodexo to Parkhurst] was extremely successful," said John Cummins, general manager for Parkhurst Dining. However, many employees feel differently.

"People complained when Sodexo was here, but once Parkhurst came, we wished we had [Sodexo]

back," said Jane*, a Parkhurst employee.

Amanda*, a fellow employee, agreed. "It was better before Parkhurst was here," she said.

According to the 2005 University press release, David Surala, vice president of finance and administration, said Parkhurst "brings a wonderful reputation for premium food quality ... and strong employee relations."

Cummins echoes this sentiment. "We think we treat [employees] well," he said. "We recognize how important they are to us."

Yet many employees don't feel their work is recognized. "We don't feel like we are appreciated within the company," Amanda

said. "They work us too hard with too little help." She said she often works with not enough staff and feels overwhelmed.

Cummins noted Parkhurst works to increase employee morale with an associate recognition program where employees vote to recognize outstanding workers, and an associate appreciation day, where an employee party with free food is held at Knoebels.

According to the University's press release, when Parkhurst took control of dining services from Sodexo, "current jobs and pay rates, including wage adjustments ... [would] transfer to Parkhurst."

Indeed, according to Cummins, "Nobody lost any money."

However, some employees disagree. "A lot of us went back to being re-hires. When you go from making \$10 per hour to \$7.35 per hour, it's a big difference," Matt* said. "They also took away our shift differential," he said; employees working the night shift are now paid the same as those working the day shift.

Other employees said while their pay did not change, their hours did. "They didn't cut my pay; they cut my hours—and I really need my 40 hours," Jane said.

According to Cummins, Parkhurst considers full-time to be 37 hours per week, and pays benefits to employees who work more than 32 hours per week.

"They won't give anyone 40 hours [per week]," Amanda said.

Cummins noted employees can work additional hours catering. "We don't have enough catering on a full-time basis to have a separate catering crew, so employees have the opportunity to get additional hours."

In 2005, Parkhurst changed the way University employees received raises. With Sodexo, employees would receive raises after working for a certain period of time. Now performance, not longevity, affects the employees' hourly rates. Employees are given performance reviews, and those

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Former professor facing charges

By Sophia Leong
News Editor

Jack E. Harclerode, a retired biology professor at the University faces new charges of paying a young boy for sexual relations.

The unnamed victim came forward after a press conference held by Union County District Attorney D. Peter Johnson this past summer. The victim said that he met Harclerode when he was 12 in May of 1992 and continued to engage in the sexual activities until August 1995, when he was 15 years old.

Harclerode took the victim to collect water samples for the biology department at local streams before proceeding back to Harclerode's office where the sexual contact began. According to court documents released to The Daily Item, the encounters allegedly occurred three to four times a week.

The documents also state that Harclerode and the victim purchased and watched pornographic videos together in his office. Harclerode ended most encounters by paying the boy \$20.

Harclerode is free on \$225,000 cash bail.

"At this point, having been charged with these crimes, Mr. Harclerode is entitled to the same presumption of innocence that all citizens share," Tom Evelyn, director of media relations, said. "These allegations, if proven, are abhorrent to all of us."

In the meantime, the University has not received any requests for information from the district, but has initiated their own review of the administration and faculty. No evidence has been found indicating that the University was aware of any of the alleged activities, Evelyn said.

Faculty and staff in the biology department declined to comment on the matter.

"Being able to meet with professors in their flexible office hours are helpful," Lingen Sun '09 said. "But the fact that nobody noticed the incidents, and ... that it happened so consistently worries me because anybody can be a victim

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FLANNERY RETIRES



Photo courtesy of Bucknellian archives

Pat Flannery '80, Bison men's basketball head coach, announced his retirement on April 18. Effective July 1, Flannery will take a role as a fundraiser in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations. Read more about Flannery starting on page C1.

Applications drop as standards rise

By Wendy Schibener
Staff Writer

While the University has experienced a drop of approximately 10 percent in applications the past two years, the strength of applicants and interest in attending the University continues to rise.

The acceptance rate for the class of 2011 was 29.8 percent. The Admissions Office anticipates utilizing its waitlist for the class of 2012, predicting an overall acceptance rate of 30 percent.

"Although the final class profile will not be determined until later this spring when the class of 2012 is finalized, all indications are that this entering class will continue the trend of recent entering classes in terms of academic strengths and diversity," said Kurt Thiede, vice president for enrollment

management and dean of admissions.

The yield of applicants, the percentage of admitted students enrolling at the University, has increased to an expected 37 to 38 percent this year. This is a large increase from 30.6 percent five years ago and 27.4 percent 10 years ago.

"These metrics are indicators of a strong pool of applicants who more and more are considering Bucknell at the top of their college lists."

Kurt Thiede
Vice President,
Enrollment
Management

"I think there's a growing interest in Bucknell at my high school," said Emily Bart, a prospective student and junior from Cherry Hill, N.J. "Some of my friends are looking at Bucknell as well."

Ryan Abercrombie '11 said
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Continued focus on Burma necessary

By Abhay Agarwal
Staff Writer

There are four aspects to the Burma crisis, including economic, social, political and ethical elements, said a Georgetown University Burmese scholar and professor.

David Steinberg discussed the University's relationship with Burma, as well as the consequences of American policies in the country in an April 17 lecture in the Elaine Langone Center Forum.

The lecture concluded the semester-long series, "Historic Relationship. Contemporary Challenge: The Burma-Bucknell

Connection at 150 Years and Why It Matters Today."

"There is a recurring need for continuing dialogue on Burma," he said, stressing the importance of understanding the culture and plight of the Burmese people.

Burma has been under military rule since 1962, and several crises from the world community accused the military junta of human rights violations, largely under the category of "crimes against humanity." Mass uprisings and demonstrations took place in

1988 and again late last year, led largely by Buddhist monks and university students. Elections are scheduled for 2010.

The world community remains divided on the best way to deal with this crisis. Steinberg opposed sanctions posed by the United States and other Western countries, saying sanctions would not help in bringing about democratic rule in the country.

Steinberg also said revolutions in the country were likely to become a more frequent occurrence.

"Revolutions [in Burma] from this time will only increase and become more bloody," he

said. He attributed this potential increase in protests to the widespread success of the demonstrations last year, which for the first time were followed throughout the country, even on television, and brought together many disparate groups.

Steinberg also said many citizens choose to emigrate from Burma. He said unlike other countries such as Haiti, in which the lower and middle classes are leaving the country, Burma's educated and intellectuals are now starting to leave because they cannot find jobs.

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New Provost selected

Michael Smyer was named University Provost by President Brian Mitchell Wednesday. He begins his position July 1. He will oversee academic and student affairs and related programs. He is currently co-director of the Center on Aging & Work at Boston College. He also served as dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences at Boston College. He spent 17 years teaching at Pennsylvania State University in State College, Pa.



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PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

Wednesday, April 16

ALARM / INTRUSION
Trax Hall: Caused by contractors.**WELFARE CHECK**
7th Street House: Student located.**DISORDERLY CONDUCT**
Hunt Hall: Under investigation.

Thursday, April 17

DISTURBANCE
Swartz Hall: Gone on arrival.**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TRANSPORT**
Sojka Pavilion: Student transported for treatment.**ALARM / FIRE**
Smith Hall: Caused by cooking.**DISTURBANCE**
Sigma Phi Epsilon: Warning issued.**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**

Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Under investigation.

Friday, April 18

ALARM / FIRE
Kappa Delta Rho: Detector malfunction.**LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION**
Lambda Chi Alpha: Discipline referral.**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**
Bison: Under investigation.

Saturday, April 19

ALARM / FIRE
Bucknell West: Caused by cooking.**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**
Smith Hall: Under investigation.**ALARM / INTRUSION**
West Fields: Employee activated.**MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT**
Bucknell West: Under investigation.**SUSPICIOUS VEHICLE**
West Fields: Under investigation.**DISTURBANCE**
Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Loud music.

Sunday, April 20

ALARM / FIRE
Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity: Detector malfunction.**LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION**
Frat Row: Disciplinary referral.**LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION**
Marts Hall: Disciplinary referral.**LIQUOR LAW VIOLATION**
Marts Hall: Disciplinary referral.**CRIMINAL MISCHIEF**
Physical Plant Lot: Under investigation.**ALARM / FIRE**
Vedder Hall: Caused by cooking.**ALARM / INTRUSION**
Stadium: Cause unknown.**ALARM / FIRE**
Swartz Hall: Caused by cooking.

Monday, April 21

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Roberts Hall: Under investigation.**THEFT**
Roberts Hall: Under investigation.**EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TRANSPORT**
Swartz Hall: Transport student to Evangelical Community Hospital.**DISTURBANCE**
Sigma Alpha Epsilon: Loud music.

Tuesday, April 22

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF
Smith Hall: Under investigation.

University initiates review of faculty

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and nobody would know."

The University and the Public Safety Office encourages others involved or suspicious to come forward or seek help from Public Safety and the University's confidential counseling services.

The University began implementing criminal and national sex offender background checks for successful candidates in the hiring of staff and is considering the applicability of the checks in the hiring process for faculty.

"Prevention is key," Bryan Coleman '11 said. "...I am shocked that the administration does not perform checks. You would think it is a no-brainer."

Other students echoed similar

sentiments.

"As a current student and [future] alum with children who might come here, it's shocking that they do not currently perform sex offender checks for faculty," Weslee Berke '10 said.

However, Evelyn reinforced the safety of the University throughout its long history.

"With more than 1,300 employees and more than 3,350 students, we are proud of our history and environment for safety and security," Evelyn said. "We also recognize that criminal incidents can occur anywhere with a large group of individuals, and take these charges most seriously. The University will cooperate fully as the investigation goes forward."

Dining Services policies questioned

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with better reviews receive larger raises. "I don't feel like they treat everyone fairly, and that's not fair," Amanda said.

Cummins noted that no matter how much an employee received in raises, "within four years [of working for Parkhurst] every employee will be paid a living wage."

The University press release stated that "comparable vacation, sick time and other benefits" would continue with Parkhurst.

Cummins discussed Parkhurst's health policy, stating, "for every month that you work [without taking a sick day] you earn one day of wellness pay." If employees don't redeem their "wellness pay" for sick days, they receive a financial reward.

However, Cummins said this does not mean Parkhurst encourages employees to work while sick. "From a health point of view we don't want anyone to be contagious and be at work."

"We don't want people to hurt

themselves and we don't want other people to be sick," he said. "No one's an indentured servant."

Some employees do feel pressure to work while sick. This past winter, Jane felt she had to stay at work even though she had the flu.

"If you leave early because you're sick, you get written up," Jane said. In addition, "If you are sick four times in a semester, you can be fired."

"We have a hotline that gives people the opportunity to report things," Cummins said. "If someone came to me and needed to go, we would find a way to let them go."

According to the press release, "The selection committee specified four goals [for the new dining service]: improve student dining, preserve meal plan pricing, create one dining organization and have a sound financial plan."

"We don't get to stay if we're not financially viable," Cummins said.

"names have been changed to protect identity"

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Talk sheds light on Burma crisis

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He said this is where the University plays an important role in educating Burmese students in an appropriate setting—unlike in big cities or state universities, where these students are most likely to get lost in the crowd. The University is helping to foster the next generation of educated leaders eventually needed in Burma.

"We need an enrichment of cultural understanding and a small university like Bucknell can play that role," he said.

Steinberg said it was difficult to predict the future of the Burmese people. He said the Burmese junta is heading in the direction of the Indonesian "Suharto" model, as the military becomes more orthodox and influences the country's decisions.

The fact that Burma is not a

popular topic of discussion in Washington, D.C., shows "the United States government has no credibility in Burma anymore," Steinberg said. According to Steinberg, frustration has been high in the country, and change is most likely to come from the inside.

Students walked away from his lecture more familiar with the situation.

"I think Professor Steinberg is very informed of the past as well as the current situation in Burma. His views are well balanced and analytical. In particular, his arguments related to the intellectual generation gap in Burma today and how Bucknell can help were very insightful," Kevin Thant '09 said.

Paula Myers, chair of the Burma-Bucknell 150 Years Committee and director of international student services, thought his talk had a refresh-

ing delivery.

"Professor Steinberg is a man with vast experience in Asia—particularly in Burma, and I felt that his approach to the issues there was unique and brought a different perspective to the series," she said. "I was impressed by his talk, but even more by his engagement in dialogue with the students during dinner and after the talk."

His lecture seemed to inspire the audience.

"What particularly resonated with me was his message that there is a 'need not to forget,' a need not to actively forget the military junta in Burma, a need not to turn a blind eye to human rights violations there, a need to take the initiative and the responsibility to educate ourselves about the history of Burma and its present circumstance," Assistant Professor of Religion Karline McInnis said.

Steinberg returned to the University exactly 50 years after his first visit in 1958 when the Burma-Bucknell bowl was presented to the University on behalf of the president of Burma.

Steinberg is regarded as a specialist on Burma, North and South Korea, South East Asia and U.S. foreign policy in these regions of the world.

He has authored several books on issues pertaining to Burma, including his latest, titled "Turmoil in Burma: Contested Legitimacies in Myanmar."

Steinberg has also visited Burma on more than 24 occasions since 1962, the first time he was asked to leave the country after the dictatorship came into power. He has worked for the Department of State and was former director of technical assistance in Asia and the Middle East.

Major issues draw students to polls

By Alexandra Campbell-Ferrari
Staff Writer

In Union County, a total of 4432 votes were cast, and 52 percent of which were in support of Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., and 48 percent in support of Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y. Union County saw a 44.54 percent turnout this year, according to CNN Politics.

Voters came out for various reasons.

"I feel like it is our duty to vote. We have men and women overseas fighting for our democratic rights, therefore, we should take advantage of them," Emily Bostic '08 said.

Larry Hooper, a resident of Lewisburg for 30 years, was proud to say he has voted in every election since he registered to vote, except when he was in the service.

"I wanted to make sure to vote for the Republicans. I don't want Democrats to increase taxes," Hooper said. Democrats noted the importance of voting in this particular primary.

"I think this will be the most important election I will ever vote in," Scott Teagarden '10 said.

In terms of issues, voters were thinking about anything from the environment, to the war in Iraq, gas prices and healthcare.

For Danny Mun '08, education, same sex marriage and the environment were important issues he took into consideration when choosing a candidate.

Teagarden said views on international relations were an important factor in his support for Obama. "Obama focuses on bringing people together rather than our differences and partisanship," he said. "We need a

Photo courtesy of Alexandra Campbell-Ferrari
Students cast their vote at the Weis Center for Performing Arts Tuesday. Sen. Hillary Clinton, D-N.Y., won Pennsylvania in Tuesday's primaries.

candidate who will focus on uniting our country."

Bostic also voted for Obama. "Obama is the change the country needs. Clinton is the same old politics. There are distinct benefits for the United States to have a president who has not spent their entire life in Washington D.C.," he said.

Mun, however, supported Hillary Clinton. "I made a tally based on where the candidates stand and how my views line up with their positions. Clinton had the most tallies," he said.

Some voters seemed satisfied with the campaign techniques used by candidates, while others did not.

"People are more responsive to negative campaigning," Nick Scilingo '10 said. "I would like to see more positive advertisements but based on the current political and social climate this

isn't possible."

Tuesday's primary results left the future of the Democratic party uncertain.

"I think the prolonged contest has some cost for the Democrats. While this campaign is probably not unusually negative, each candidate is working to define the other unfavorably, and this seems to be having some negative effect on voters' opinions of both candidates," said Scott Meinke, assistant professor of political science.

"A second cost is the opportunity cost of not focusing on their Republican opponent. The Democrats cannot present a focused message against McCain while they are continuing to compete intensely with each other," he said.

On Tuesday, Hillary Clinton won the Pennsylvania primary by a margin of 10 percent.

Clinton received 81 delegates to Obama's 69.

"Clinton's victory and the vote share for the candidates were not particularly surprising," Meinke said. "Based on how the candidates have performed with particular components of the electorate in earlier contests, Pennsylvania was, on paper, a favorable battleground for Clinton. Her dominance in rural and blue-collar regions of the state was, as expected, crucial to her victory margin and Obama's support in the urban and suburban southeast was important to his ability to keep the margins somewhat close," he said.

Obama currently stands with 1487 pledged delegates, while Clinton has 1331. Obama and Clinton will next face each other at the primaries in Indiana and North Carolina May 6.

News Briefs

Bucknellian Correction

In the article "Great Strides Walk Aids Cystic Fibrosis" in the April 11 issue, The Bucknellian would like to clarify that the Great Strides Walk raises money for sorority and fraternities philanthropies. The Bucknellian regrets for this error.

Downtown inspections to be conducted

In an attempt to improve the quality of downtown living for students, the University and the Borough Council of Lewisburg plan to enforce regular inspections of off-campus properties. According to a press release, Lewisburg mayor Judith Wagner pushed for the annual inspections of downtown rental properties to be completed by July 15. These current inspections are required by the Borough's agreement with the Central Keystone Council of Governments (COG). The University plans to assist COG with new demands stemming from this decision. Other future prospects include an "Off-Campus Living" Web site to help locate rental properties and educate students, parents and landlords about policies, and an off-campus housing certification program to ensure rental houses meet certain safety standards.

New BUIDs available for laundry

Beginning sometime in the fall 2008 semester, students will be able to use their new BUIDs to pay for laundry in residential buildings. According to Associate Dean of Students Kari Conrad, students will also be able to determine machine availability without going to the laundry room. Bucknell Student Government and the University administration are still finalizing details about the new program.

Bucknell Forum will continue in spring

University President Brian C. Mitchell plans to continue the Bucknell Forum in spring 2009 with a new focus on global leadership and change. The current forum, "The Citizen & Politics in America," ends in fall 2009. The task force is currently accepting speaker nominations at speakersforum@bucknell.edu.

Poverty a world issue, Weeks says

By Ahmws Kodouda
Staff Writer

This generation has the ability to end global poverty because of the interconnectedness of the world, said Kimmie Weeks, who gave a talk entitled "Ending Global Poverty: A 21st Century Possibility."

According to Weeks, the rebels led by Charles Taylor sent the children to battle before the adult fighters, so they may be used as human shields. Children caused most of the atrocities.

"Children had no sense of discretion. They were not able to think about what they were doing, which was killing in the most brutal ways and they caused the most heinous crimes," Weeks said.

He explained the war that he lived through as a young boy in his native Liberia.

Both Weeks and his mother

were displaced by the violence and they were forced to flee to a refugee camp, where he fell very ill and was mistaken for dead.

"There were so many people dying, they didn't even bother to bury people, and the piles of dead bodies were growing," Weeks said. "Without any question, they just grabbed my body and wrapped me in a cloth and took me to one of the heaps where they discarded my body."

His mother later found him and he was able to survive.

Weeks asserted that there are "real prospects for changing and ending world poverty, and ensuring that no child anywhere lives in extreme circumstances, that no child anywhere goes without food or water, that the 640 million children who are not in school can go to school."

"World change, or change period, has never ever been

about one person standing up, saying 'I alone will change the greatest oppressions.' When we look at the case of South Africa, even though Nelson Mandela is highlighted as the leader of that movement, it took millions of people from around the world, rallying around and saying no to apartheid," Weeks said.

He emphasized the importance of acting as a world community in order to work together in ending world poverty. The talk was held under the auspices of Child Soul, a student group that was created to fight the epidemic of child soldiers in wars around the world.

Muyambi Muyambi '11, an international student from Uganda, and a member of Child Soul, introduced Weeks as a winner, beyond a reasonable doubt. He experienced war, human suffering and death at the age of nine."

Chris Boyatzis, associate

professor of psychology and the advisor of Child Soul, said that there are approximately 250 to 300 thousand child soldiers in many countries around the world. Child Soul "organized the Gulu Walk in October to raise awareness and funds for the plight of child soldiers," said Boyatzis, who spoke before Weeks.

Weeks was born in Liberia in 1981 and was granted asylum in the United States at the age of 17.

He is the executive director of UNESCO's Ambassador of the Manifesto for Peace and Non-Violence. Weeks was a survivor of the Liberian Civil war, which raged in his country from 1989 until 2003.

Weeks, a graduate of Amherst College in Amherst, Mass. founded the organization as a way to help young children affected by war and violence around the world.

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More essays may lead to fewer applicants

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he saw this change in interest at his high school. "Last year, I was the only person from my high school who knew about Bucknell, much less applied," he said. "I went back and talked to friends from high school over breaks, and there were actually people considering Bucknell."

Some students saw the trend going in the opposite direction.

"Fifteen students applied to Bucknell from my high school the year I graduated but I am not aware of any who applied for this fall," Erica Zanghellini '11 said.

Admissions officials believe the drop in applications is due to new practices instituted last year.

Additional essays to supplement the Common Application were added for the class of 2011, possibly influencing the number of students applying.

"Our research tells us that 500 to 700 of the students in our inquiry did not apply

simply because we asked them to do too much," Thiede said. "While this new practice decreased applications, the additional essays have proven invaluable in the application review process, helping staff decide among many qualified applicants."

Admissions also began a Division I student-athlete application process this year. Qualified student-athletes are identified by athletics coaches and members of the admissions staff prior to the application stage.

The old process, while generating more applicants, was based on a more Division III student-recruitment model and was not as effective, officials said.

Admissions also sees a dramatic change in the profile of accepted students.

"Although I don't have complete data to back this up, my preliminary review of application trends at some of our traditional feeder schools indicates that in the last couple of years we received fewer applications from students of the profile that was accepted five or 10 years ago, but more re-

cently were placed on our wait list or denied admission altogether," Thiede said.

"We will study this more thoroughly this summer, but I believe we are currently experiencing an applicant pool that is adjusting," he said.

As for retention rate of University students, "Bucknell has enjoyed a 96 percent retention rate between the first and second years and a 4-year graduation rate about 88 to 89 percent," said Thiede.

"There are slight variances with each class, but at present we have not detected any negative trends that would materially change these percentages."

Admissions is working with current high school juniors already. The first open house for high school juniors was April 5.

"We will admit just about the same percentage of students as we did last year," said Thiede.

"The overall quality of the entering class will continue the trend of recent classes ... This has been a very strong and exciting applicant pool."

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Doing good in the neighborhood

Students switch from schoolwork to charity and volunteer work on Sunday.

Greek organizations co-sponsor Special Olympics

By Bethany Lavins
Staff Writer

Chi Phi fraternity hosted the 25th annual Special Olympics at the University's Kinney Natatorium Sunday, drawing over 30 athletes from over four counties.

The event, which was coordinated through Special Olympics Pennsylvania, gave an opportunity for over 50 men from Chi Phi and 30 women from Kappa Alpha Theta sorority to volunteer their time.

Inspired by Chi Phi's Frank Duplak '86, the Special Olympics was first held at the University in 1983, chaired by Duplak and John Lindenthal '86. The event has continued over the years as a way for the students to give back and be a part of the community.

"It's a really good way for us to have a personal interaction with the athletes," said Dan Ostrosky '09, the co-chair of the Special Olympics committee of Chi Phi. "I think the brothers get a lot out of it. It connects us with the surrounding community."

Working alongside the brothers of Chi Phi, the women of Theta helped to get sponsorship from local businesses to cover event costs and to prepare lunches for the athletes following the event. They were excited to be able to help contribute to such a rewarding event.

"It's important to have outside groups such as the Special Olympics come in to show we have a connection to the community, not just the University Community," Noelle Hawthorne '10 said.

Athletes came from all over the Pennsylvania region and were eager for their chance to compete. Although many were Special Olympics veterans, for some, this was their first competition.

Andrew Holmes of Stroudsburg, Pa., was excited for his chance to swim. He trained twice a week to prepare for the 25 yard freestyle on Sunday, but he has also participated in soccer at other Olympic games as well. When asked his favorite part of the Olympics, he said it was, "Getting to see my friends."

Another veteran of the Olympics was Caitlyn Flynn, who competed in the freestyle and backstroke events. Her favorite part of the Olympics, she said, was swimming. Like Andrew, she also trained twice a week in preparation for the event, although she swims year round as well.

All athletes who wish to participate in the Special

cial Olympics of Pennsylvania events are required to complete an 8-week training program to ensure that they are in adequate physical shape to compete, explained Ben Mackiewicz, parent and competition coordinator. They can then move up from the local level to invitationals and finally the big summer games at Penn State held from June 5-8.

Having participated in other such events, Mackiewicz was impressed by the faculties and the setup provided by the brothers of Chi Phi here at the University.

"It's always nice to see a good turnout in the yellow shirts," he said.

The Olympics began at 9 a.m. with the singing of the national anthem. Chi Phi and Theta volunteers made sure the event ran smoothly, monitoring lanes, timing and helping athletes get to their event on time.

The scoreboard displayed the names of the swimmers and their times, giving the athletes a chance to see their names flashing above the audience. Parents eagerly snapped pictures of the scoreboard and cheered uproariously for their swimmer.

Swimmers received royal blue tee shirts with the phrase "Instant Swimmer, just add water," scripted on the back. They warmed up on the pool deck, waiting eagerly for their chance to swim.

Everyone was excited for the events. Even before the buzzer sounded, people were screaming and clapping and whistling. No one cared who finished last, and often times, the longer an athlete was in the water, the more cheers and hollers they got.

"Unless somebody did something specific for them, they wouldn't participate in anything," said Sue Weaver whose son Randy wasn't able to compete in other sports. Swimming was something he enjoyed and could excel at.

Melody Mackiewicz, after finishing first in the 25-yard breaststroke raised her arms high in the air and shouted triumphantly, "I did it!" Many of the athletes echoed the same enthusiasm.

Swimmers competed in 25-, 50-, 100- and 200-yard backstroke, butterfly, breaststroke, freestyle and medley events. There a 15-yard walk/25-yard float event as well.

The Olympics ended with a speech by the Chi Phi President Adam Hinshaw '09. Medals were then presented to the athletes by members of the University's varsity swim team. Lunch was provided for the athletes by the sisters of Theta following the ceremony.



Photo courtesy of Marc Henry

12 hour relay raises money for cancer society

By Max Friedlander
Contributing Writer

The University's third-annual Relay for Life raised over \$80,000 Sunday to benefit the American Cancer Society.

"Our first year, we raised over \$62,000 for the American Cancer Society and won the Rookie of the Year Award for the state of Pennsylvania. Last year we raised over \$75,000 and were named the Colleges Against Cancer Chapter of the Year for Pennsylvania," said Casey Bryant '09, chair of Relay For Life.

Hundreds of students, parents and members of the local community hit the track in the Gerhard Fieldhouse to participate in the Relay.

The 657 participants organized themselves into 54 different teams for this year's super-themed event. Captains of each team distributed forms to members to get pledges from others.

Fraternities, sororities, athletic teams, residence halls and other groups on campus set up tables with banners on the inside of the track to show their support for participants.

The event began at 10 a.m., with the opening lap to announce all 54 teams. Later in the afternoon, participants were asked to take a break to honor cancer survivors present at the event as they made one lap. Some participants

did not step off of the red paint until 10 p.m. when the Relay ended. Walkers could also rest and refuel with Domino's pizzas.

Despite the excitement throughout the day, the evening's Luminary ceremony, a tradition to honor and remember victims and survivors of the disease, seemed to focus on the somber circumstances.

"The atmosphere in the fieldhouse during the ceremony was very heavy. It hit a lot of us pretty hard," Chris Petersen '10 said.

Participants stood in silence as the lights of the fieldhouse were shut off, leaving only the dim light from hundreds of glowing luminaries. Participants could purchase bags throughout the day. Each luminary represented a survivor or victim and was adorned with the person's name and a message.

The American Cancer Society, Colleges Against Cancer and the Relay for Life Committee organized the event. The event featured appearances from cancer survivors and performances from the all four a cappella groups, Voices of Praise, the Juggling Club, cheerleaders, Latino Dance Corner and Jelani. Even Bryant, a nationally recognized twirler, performed.

Participants were pleased with the turnout. "Relay was even better this year. It was great seeing everybody on campus come together to make this such an awesome success," Samantha Kantor '10 said.



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Photo courtesy of Casey Bryant

1. Special Olympics attendees and athletes watch the sports in Kinney Natatorium on Sunday. 2. Special Olympics volunteers helping and watching the athletes. 3. Laura Coleman '09 with a Special Olympics athlete. 4. Members of the Relay for Life committee with their check for the American Cancer Society.

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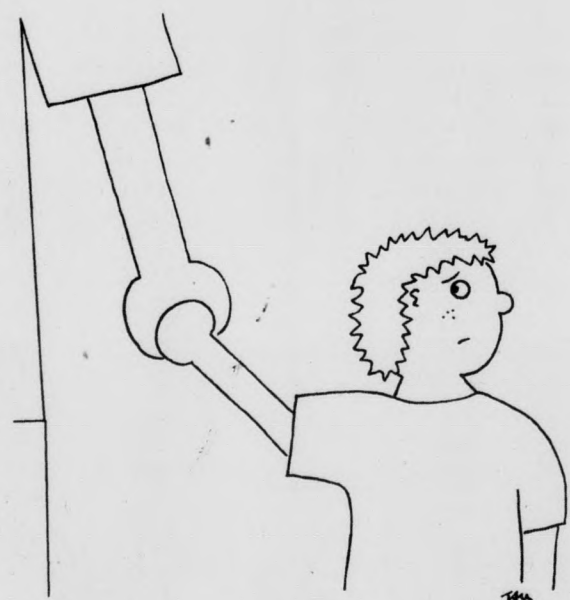
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OPINIONS

EDITORIAL

Better safe than sorry



Last April, retired biology professor Jack Harclerode was arrested in the Ellen Clarke Bertrand Library on charges of 20 counts of sexual abuse of children that took place the previous summer. Investigators subsequently found child pornography in Harclerode's home.

Last week, more charges were filed against Harclerode, stemming from allegations that he had paid a 12-year-old boy to have sexual relations in his campus office starting in May 1992 and lasting until August of 1995.

He is accused of paying the boy \$20 following the sexual encounters in his office. These encounters allegedly took place after Harclerode and the boy would collect water samples for use in the University's biology department, happening as often as four times a week.

According to an April 17 WNEP broadcast, "State police said they received dozens of letters from men from all over the county claiming they were molested by Harclerode over the years but too many years have passed for charges to be filed in many of those cases."

The University is cooperating fully with the authorities in the investigation.

Also, since Harclerode pleaded guilty to some charges filed last year, his on-campus privileges have been permanently revoked, according to the University Director of Media Relations, Tom Evelyn.

These events, however, bring to light the University's policies regarding the hiring of staff and faculty. While the former are subject to background checks for sexual offenses, the latter are not. Why? Don't faculty have more interaction with students than staff, including meetings in more private settings? The University is currently reviewing this policy.

The University has found nothing from the time of the alleged incidents that indicate any one on campus saw suspicious activity regarding Harclerode and young boys.

While completely plausible, it

is hard to imagine that no one on campus at the time saw anything that could have raised suspicion. Is it normal for faculty members to hire young boys to help them with work? Did no one ask who the child was?

We acknowledge that it is hard to ask difficult questions such as these when confronted with an unclear situation. Also, it is possible that there was no reason to be suspicious of anything. However, the credo for these types of events has to be, "better safe than sorry," and if anyone at all had suspected something was wrong, the proper authorities should have been notified.

Would anything have occurred differently had someone posed more questions about what exactly was going on at the time of the alleged events? Perhaps not. But now we will never know.

What are you up to, Mr. President?

By Jackie Bodnar
 Contributing Writer

In 1976, The Washington Post ran a headline that read, "WHAT ARE YOU UP TO, MR. PRESIDENT?" after then-president Jimmy Carter cancelled a nationally televised address without explanation (It was later discovered he had invited a gaggle of American liberal figures to Camp David for some soul-searching and brainstorm a solution for his famously fictitious "crisis of the American spirit"). Thirty-two years later, Americans find themselves asking the very same question.

Last week, the older—but none the wiser—Jimmy Carter left the United States for what he calls a "study mission" in the Middle East. During a potentially disastrous nine day visit, he met with prominent leaders of Israel, the West Bank, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Jordan, including infamous Hamas leaders Khaled Meshal and Mahmoud Zahar. Of course, since Meshal

has been exiled for his despical behavior, Carter had to meet with him in his host country of Syria.

Hamas is currently one of the largest terrorist threats in the world. Its members unite under a refusal to recognize Israel's right to exist and partake in the terrorizing and murder of innocent Israeli and American civilians.

Both the U.S. and Israeli governments have identified Hamas as a terror group and refuse to negotiate with them in any way, shape or form. Given the organization's murderous record and history of unapologetic violence and destruction, Carter's unauthorized excursion is a slap in the face to not only officials in Washington but also every American citizen he is unjustly representing. While the right to dissent is part of what makes our country the greatest nation on the planet, deliberately undermining government foreign policy during a time of war is absolutely disgraceful.

This self-righteous crusade

disguised as a study mission has legitimized a terrorist organization by deeming it worthy of negotiations and simultaneously sabotaged the foreign policies of U.S. President Bush and the moderate Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas.

As a former president himself, Jimmy Carter of all people should know that blatantly ignoring the policies of a serving president is considered poor judgment and bad form at best. Not to mention that his timing could not have been worse. This peanut-farming politician is proof that providing a narcissistic micromanager with an active passport is a recipe for disaster.

A number of government officials are appalled by Carter's reckless field trip. The State Department has reportedly advised Carter twice against the meeting with Hamas, publicly denouncing it as against "the interests of peace." Puzzled Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice told an interviewer, "I find it hard to understand what is going to be

gained by having discussions with Hamas about peace when Hamas is, in fact, the impediment to peace." Over 50 congressmen (both Democrat and Republican) have signed a letter reminding Carter of the 26 undeserved American deaths attributed to Hamas, in which they beg, "President Carter, do not meet with the man who ordered their deaths."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has rejected Carter's insulting request to meet with him and understandably so. President Shimon Peres was one of only two Israeli officials who accepted his invitation, and at the start of their meeting, immediately reprimanded Carter for meeting with the leaders of an organization dedicated to the destruction of his own nation.

Israel's secret service is not providing protection to the former U.S. president during his visit, but that should not be a problem. In fact terrorists think pretty highly of Jimmy Carter. A top political advisor to Hamas

describes Carter as a "noble person," while Carter was also reportedly seen giving a Hamas leader a hug and a kiss during a visit in the West Bank. Now isn't that special.

Walter Mondale, vice president during the Carter administration, once admitted to a biographer that he "never understood how Carter's political mind worked." No matter how you look at it, Jimmy Carter, you are not alone. We can do nothing but wonder what Carter's real motives are behind the foolish spectacle he has made of himself. Has he finally gone senile? Perhaps he is naive enough to believe that terrorists can think rationally.

Or is it a desperate attempt to salvage what is left of his ego after being a colossal failure as a president? No matter how you look at it, Jimmy Carter is using what is left of his prestige to meddle in the affairs of others and adding to his already impressive resume of foreign policy failures in the process. Well, at least he's consistent.

Pirates are very savvy

By Jenna Silvi
 Contributing Writer

Ever since the Disney blockbuster "Pirates of the Caribbean" hit theaters, I have been head-over-heels for swashbuckling, eyeline-wearing, rum-drinking pirates. With catchy vocabulary that includes words like "savvy," "landlubber" and "Yo-ho-ho," who can one not be taken by the unique and captivating group of outcasts that we know as pirates?

Let us indulge in a little illumination of this group of corsairs that includes both fictional and historical (real) thieves of the seas.

Captain Jack Sparrow—My favorite of all pirate players, Captain Jack has become a sine qua non amongst prominent pirates. Jack was created specifically for the Disney "Pirates of the Caribbean" films and thanks to the unmatched acting talents of Johnny Depp, the character was brought to life in a way that made Sparrow an American icon. He's eccentric, he's suave and he is one of very few men who can pull off that whole eyeline deal. Though he walks like a swaggering bum full of rum, he is quite the smooth talker whose cleverness aids him in escaping death time and time again. Drink up me hearties, yo-ho!

Captain Kidd—Born in 1645, Kidd was a merchant and privateer on the high seas. He was hired to prevent piracy

on the open seas, but after so many failures as a privateer, he himself turned to a life of pillaging, pillaging and plundering. Some scholars never question Kidd's probity and insist that he was wrongfully accused of such crimes.

Regardless, Kidd was captured and eventually hung for disloyalty, murder and piracy. The worst part? His body was tarred and put in a cage on display to serve as a warning to others who might consider piracy. Poor Kidd.

Captain Hook—Any fan of J.M. Barrie's novel or of the Disney movie "Peter Pan" knows the infamous Captain Hook as a nefarious pirate-captain who spends his days waiting for an encounter with Peter Pan in hopes to best him with a sword. Why does the captain show venom towards Peter?

As told in J.M. Barrie's tale, the mischievous Peter cut off the Captain's right hand and fed it to a crocodile. The hungry croc not only swallowed Hook's hand, but also a clock, thus giving Hook a tick-tock warning of his predator's proximity. If someone cut off my hand and I had to replace it with an iron hook, I think I'd be pretty ticked, too. If there's one word besides codfish to associate with Captain Hook, it's vengeance.

Blackbeard—Legend has it that Blackbeard was one of the most physically intimidating pirates in history. It is said that

he would weave reeds through his snarled beard and light them on fire to scare the boots off anyone who dared stand in his way. Blackbeard's success as a pirate made him the most serious threat of the sea during his time.

The most intriguing aspect to Blackbeard's legend concerns his death: it is said that when he was finally captured off the coast of North Carolina, he was decapitated and his body was thrown overboard, where it did several laps around his boat before finally tiring. His head was then placed on the bowsprit of his captor's ship and displayed proudly as the ship came into the harbor. I guess his reputation as being headstrong came back to him in the worst way possible. Ouch.

Pirates are amusing to observe from a distance, (i.e. through books, films and other forms of entertainment) but I bet if anyone of us ever had a chance encounter with these scallywags, we would opt to walk the plank. We have romanticized the figure of the pirate to the point that we ignore their crimes and praise them for their scurvy, adventurous spirits.

Thanks to enchanting legends and to Disney's manifestation of "Pirates of the Caribbean," these meddling marauders have made their way into pop culture and it doesn't look like they're disappearing off the map anytime soon.

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U.S. Hypocrisy & the Beijing Olympics

By Ahmed Kododa and Brian Thiede
 Contributing Writers

The current discourse surrounding the Beijing Olympics is that of lambasting the People's Republic of China for its human rights record, Tibet-policy and involvement in countries such as Sudan and the Union of Myanmar. While China is very deserving of such criticism, it is vitally important Americans criticize their own country's human rights record before looking abroad. When one examines American society and the measures taken under the guise of the "war on terror," it becomes clear many U.S. policies are deserving of protest as those of China.

Many Americans are eager to stand up for human rights issues—such as the conflict in Darfur, Sudan (wrongfully labeled genocide by the Bush regime), the Free Tibet Campaign, the crackdown on Burmese monks

emerging late last year and the many other very real human rights violations committed around the world. The problem is these campaigns project time and attention abroad without adequately critiquing actions of the Bush regime at home.

Without the assumption that the United States is a constant defender of human rights, a very different picture of the world emerges. Rather than a protector of freedom and liberty, we see the world's sole superpower detaining Muslim men across the world at Guantanamo Bay—indeinitely and, for the majority, without charge. The former Muslim chaplain of Guantanamo Bay, James Yee—who was allowed unrestricted access to the prisoners—claims that among those held were children as young as 12 years old.

Sami Al-Hajj—a cameraman from Al-Jazeera TV network covering the war in Afghanistan in 2001—has also been detained, illustrating the prece-

dence of ideology over objective national security. To this point, many of those languishing in Guantanamo are held without due process. Many other prisoners have been simply released in the past—a silent admission Guantanamo is robbing many innocents of their lives. Furthermore, according to The New York Times, the International Committee of the Red Cross has asserted that "the American military has intentionally used psychological and sometimes physical coercion tantamount to torture" on prisoners at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. We must not even delve into the atrocities in Afghanistan and Iraq to establish that, in fact, "freedom isn't free," and the cost is a host of human rights violations.

Unfortunately, the domestic arena in the United States is equally deserving of attention. At the same time that China is portrayed (rightly) as an authoritarian police state, the United States holds 2.3 mil-

lion of its own in prison. That is one in 100 of the entire population, and one in nine black men. The United States is also the only "western" nation practicing the death penalty—executing over 1,000 people in the past three decades. Despite the foundations of American "freedom," imprisonment and state violence are as much a tool of social control and a reflection of structural racism in the United States as they are in China or in South Africa.

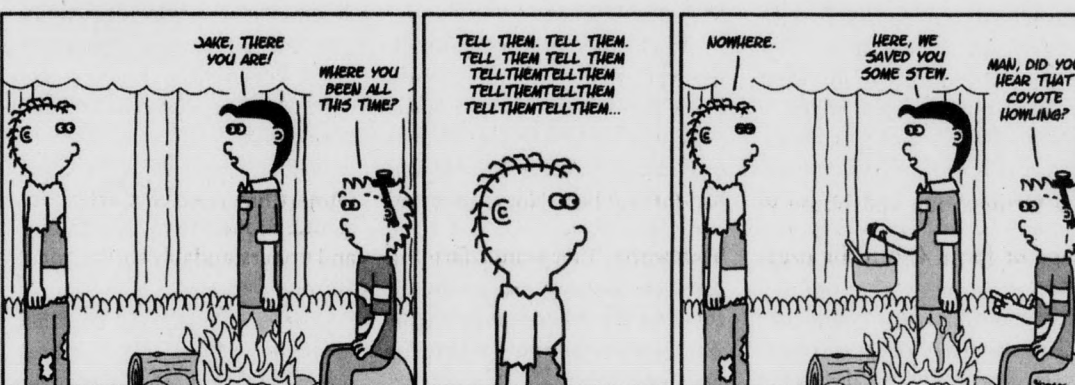
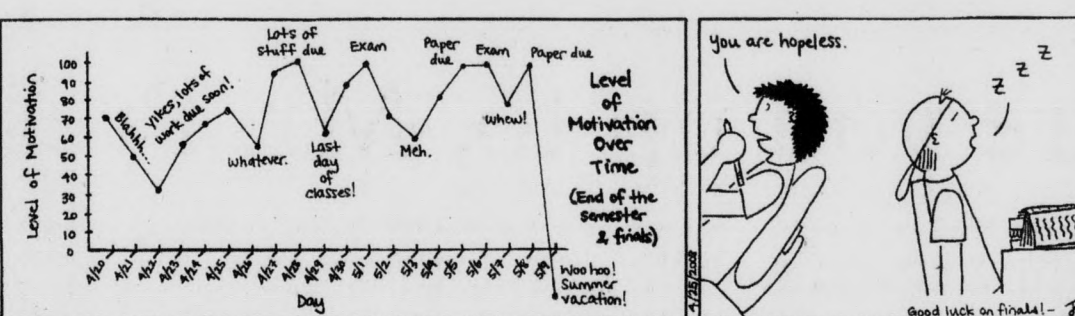
These and many other deplorable actions by the U.S. government should not be seen as a reason to condone human rights violations of China, or any other state. They do beg for more caution from western activists. We must attempt to step away from the ideological superstructure we are otherwise consciously trapped in. In the future, honest self-examination must be the point of departure for human rights movements.

CURRENTLY UNTITLED

BY JULIANA SU

LAST-DITCH EFFORT

by John Kroes



On being German

By Fenna Wächter
 Writer

When I left my room last week, I saw someone had written all kinds of things on my door. The notes made it clear the person strongly disliked me because I was German, clearly relating the statements to World War II. Only once before have I encountered hatred because of where I come from. However, it was not the first time I have been made accountable for what happened during World War II.

I am always asked how I feel about "us" building concentration camps or waging war. I can tell you all day how I feel about what "they," the Nazis, did and that it is to be condemned on the highest level. There are no words to describe the shame I feel to be associated with anybody who could do anything as heinous as what they did. I have no feelings about "us" doing anything, or "me" for that matter.

Why? Because I was born 40 years after the war ended.

I have grown up in a society teaching me since first grade about the terrors of the Third Reich and what the Germans did to other people. About 90 percent of German movies deal with that part of our past. By the time I was 15, I had visited two concentration camps. I had also visited two friends of mine who were in the hospital after va-

cationing abroad and getting beaten up because they were Germans and therefore considered to be Nazis. Like me, they were born sometime between 1985 and 1988. Like me, they feel nothing but disgust and hatred toward those responsible for the Holocaust. I have been raised with a feeling of shame for my nationality. When I witness strong nationalism and great pride in one's country, it seems strange to me, but I also envy it in a way. Some years ago, a German politician publicly announced he was proud to be German. The response was a public uproar and he was criticized by fellow politicians for his "poor choice of words."

Germany is still haunted by its past. Germans are trying so compulsively to make up for the past and demonstrate things are different now because we still feel responsible for it. I find it absolutely mandatory children are taught about Germany's history and are shown concentration camps. We may never forget what happened and must always strive to prevent it from happening again.

But, we must also move on and realize there are other things about Germany than Hitler. While the Third Reich is a chapter of German history which cannot be undone and which must be perceived as a part of German culture in some way, I am trying to move on without forgetting.

I have no problem with discussing that part of my country's past with anyone. I

will join anybody in condemning what happened. I simply have a problem being personally associated with those acts. I have started to come to terms with my nationality, but it took me years to finally be able to look someone in the eye and say, "that was not me." It took me even longer to say, "yes, I like being German." That does not make me a Nazi. Interestingly enough I had to go abroad to figure this out. By the time I was 15 I was fed up with being German. My solution was to spend a year at an American high school.

During a history class the teacher asked who in the room hated Germans for what they did during World War II. Out of 25 people, 23 raised their hands. Never before or after that incident have I felt so uncomfortable and small, until I saw the writing on my door last week. Had the teacher asked who hated the Germans of that time, or who hated the Nazis for it, I would have raised my hand without an instant of hesitation.

However, he did not differentiate. For him and the people in that class, those Germans were today's Germans, and that included me. By no means am I trying to excuse any of what happened. But I maintain those who committed those heinous acts during the Holocaust were part of the past. I am sure people have good reasons if they do not like me, but the fact that I am German should not be one of them.

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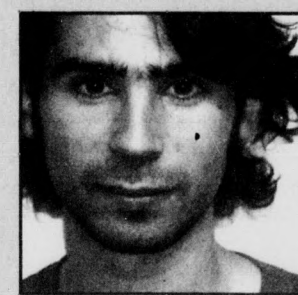
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My Favorite Mistake

By Michael Dippery
 Senior Writer



Instead of analyzing a recent mistake to comic effect, I'd like to take a moment this week to reflect upon something much more important: my graduation. It's important to me because I'm finally getting out of here, with a degree to boot. It's important to you because this will be the last "My Favorite Mistake" you'll ever read.

Yes, you read the last sentence correctly. Unfortunately, my tenure as a Bucknellian columnist has come to an end, and with it, the demise of my column.

I'm sure many readers would have liked me to publish one last hurrah—one last anecdote about my mistakes of the previous week—but for my last edition of "My Favorite Mistake," I'd like to change my formula and discuss something that wasn't a mistake: this column. That sounds mighty egotistical, so let me explain myself.

As a reader will observe that I published the very first "My Favorite Mistake" in September 2006. The column lasted only one semester and garnered little attention. A few Bucknellian editors were big fans, but that was about it. Next semester, Lenore Flower '10 came aboard, and brought along her own column, "The F Word." I had successfully replaced my own column and could step down from my writing duties.

But I missed the column. I wrote a teaser edition for the reunion issue of The Bucknellian in May 2007, and came back to writing "My Favorite Mistake" full-time the next fall. Once again, the column wasn't a dud, but it wasn't a hit either.

That is, until I wrote a column about the lack of price tags on pints of ice cream in The Bison.

Although I twisted it into a funny tale, this issue seemed inconsequential to me, but drew a swelling of support from the staff at The Bison, as well as from my peers. For a while, I could hardly walk into The Bison without getting a few words of congratulations, and students whom I'd never even met congratulated me on my column.

But I'm not re-telling this tale to pat myself on the back. I'm re-telling it to give a big

"thank you" to everyone who has so diligently read this column.

The support from readers this year has been nothing short of remarkable. (I wanted to say it's been "way cool" but that didn't seem very dignified.) To be honest, I probably wouldn't have put as much care into "My Favorite Mistake" if I hadn't received such amazing feedback. Some weeks I wanted to slack off, but then I worried I'd be disappointing everyone who read my column, and made sure I put extra effort into producing something good. (Unfortunately I wasn't always successful—but I really did try!)

So instead of discussing a mistake this week, I want to take a moment to thank all the peers, professors, staff members and even Lewisburgians who have e-mailed or stopped to tell me how much they enjoy the column. I'd also like to thank the parent who recognized me from my very artsy photo and complimented my writing. I have no idea who you are, but that really meant a lot. I'd also like to give a shout-out to Bruce Jackson, a Lewisburg resident who sent me a card and a modified "Close to Home" comic in the mail a couple of months ago.

That really made my day, and was even cooler because, as a Lewisburg resident myself, I don't get a lot of "real mail" in my mailbox (my parents just drop stuff off at my dorm instead).

I've written about all the fond memories! Next semester, I'll be enrolling at The College of William & Mary. Its newspaper, The Flat Hat, might not be quite as much fun as The Bucknellian, but maybe I can muster some column space there and continue the legacy.

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A CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT

University President Brian C. Mitchell sits down with Bucknellian news editor Michelle Laxer to discuss future plans, downtown development and student housing.

The Bucknellian: What is the biggest item right now on your agenda? Are there concrete plans in place, or about to go into place, that will affect the current students right here, right now as opposed to 5-7 years down the road?

President Mitchell: I can address that by taking a look at what's going before the University Board of Trustees in April. First thing is the approval of the budget. It's a sizeable university budget, obviously, and we've had to look at a way to provide a balanced budget that reinforces our commitment to good faculty and staff salaries and to the five course load. So those were the two priorities and I believe the Board will support that.

The second thing is the approval of the University campus master plan. We developed what I think to be a farsighted master plan that allows for a plan that will have relevance well into the century, 50 years out into the century, and then has a 30 year build up component to it, so the fiscal transformation of the University based upon careful planning is key to what I will be working on.

The third area is the approval of the comprehensive campaign case statement. What we have decided to do is to begin to develop some core themes. These core themes essentially will allow the development staff and others, including [myself], to go out and begin to lay the groundwork for Bucknell, armed with a document that we hope will inspire passion in people, in terms of support.

In terms of the question about immediate changes, every summer there are changes that we make in terms of physical plant. For example, we did the Swartz renovation last summer. You're going to see improvement to the Langone Center for example, which will include the restoration of the Terrace Room and the Gallery Theater.

You will see some improvements in the KLARC, where we will be doing some work in the fitness area, replacing carpet with rubberized format and replacing carpet to maintain the cleanliness and attractiveness of the place.

The second change you will likely see over the next few years is the faculty's discussion on the common learning agenda (CLA). That's a discussion that I think Dean [Christopher] Zappe in particular could comment on more fully. The CLA is really our effort to develop a vision statement of what people are expected to learn at Bucknell. That allows us to then provide the assessment to determine whether or not they learned it.

I think the faculty are having good discussions right now about what people, particularly in the College of Arts and Sciences, should be expected to learn at Bucknell and what impact that has on the general educa-

tional experience here.

The third area the students are going to see some work on in a few years is downtown development. It strikes me that the University is likely to move forward with design, development and possibly construction, at least first phase construction, on some of the core elements, including a Bucknell inn and potentially a large bookstore downtown; a kind of academic superstore complex downtown that's within the framework of the approved master plan.

And then finally I think the University is going to come to deal with issues where there are bumps in the road right now, that we know we have to face up to and those include things like student housing and particularly off campus housing. How much should exist on campus and how much should exist off campus? What's the relationship between the two and what kind of housing adds to a transformational residential experience?

There's been some talk as to why the University is going downtown when we have undeveloped land.

Well, that's a good question and I think there are two or three reasons for that. The first reason is that this University cannot exist as an isolated city on a hill. It's got to maintain a relationship with the area that surrounds it.

Second, being in Lewisburg is a competitive advantage for us. It's a beautiful town, it's a university town and we need to engage Lewisburg as a university town while respecting all the other traditions that make Lewisburg what it is.

The third reason is that we're very concerned with the big box development that's appearing on Route 15 and how that could inadvertently, but inexorably, sap the vitality of downtown Lewisburg. We've seen that happen in hundreds and hundreds of American cities across the country and we want to make sure it doesn't happen here.

The fourth area is that I think we can establish some anchors. And those anchors are nothing more than transfer of assets, for example our museum collection, our art museum collection, or revitalized Campus Theatre, that would allow Lewisburg to become a more vital place.

Lewisburg self identifies as an arts, University, recreation and retirement town. What we're trying to do is trying to reinforce the perception that the borough of Lewisburg has of itself. With the emergence and proximity of Geisinger Health System so close by, we think the combination of what Bucknell offers and what Evangelical Hospital and Geisinger Hospital offers provides a wonderful opportunity for this area to become a terrific representation of towns that people frankly want to live

in. Who wouldn't want to live in a town like Lewisburg? The question is how can we enhance those opportunities by connecting them better and defining them. We think development will establish the tax base and we're very concerned with protecting and preserving the borough of Lewisburg's tax base.

Approximately 130 students were denied off campus housing for next year. Why did students need approval to live downtown and where did that come from?

On a theoretical level, students need approval to live downtown because they came to Bucknell based upon a residential experience and that residential experience creates the thousands of teachable moments that link the residential based activity to the academic based activity that creates seamless integration. If you live downtown because you want to rather than part of a University experience, you lose the University experience, so that's the first reason why.

The second is the University has always had the right, because it has a relationship with Lewisburg, to control the numbers it either puts downtown or doesn't put downtown.

The third issue is clearly that the University has about 1000 beds in play both downtown and on the campus itself and we're aware we have to create an integrated learning and residential experience that begins to incorporate some of the changes that students will begin to expect.

The fourth reason, and a very important fourth reason, is that for the first time the Board has said recently that it's not its intent to move all students back onto campus. They want to permit 200 or up to 200 students to live off campus. That's a huge shift in perception of the Board, and for students who want to live downtown, that's an encouraging shift. The relationship of those students downtown is tied very much to the University's plan for Bucknell.



Photo courtesy of Office of Communications
President Mitchell addresses the campus during a forum last week. He answered questions regarding downtown development, among others.



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President Mitchell speaks during his April 2005 inauguration. The 16th University President, Mitchell succeeded Steffen H. Rogers.

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Bison Athletes of the Year

Pat Flannery '80 Retires

By Matthew Saylor
Associate Editor of Content

Pat Flannery '80 is known for being a very excitable coach on the sidelines. He is constantly on the move, whether instructing his players or questioning officials. His passion and intensity demonstrate anything but a calm state. Flannery's final act as the head coach Bison men's basketball team, retirement, has provided that calm.

Flannery announced his retirement from coaching at a press conference Friday, April 18 in front of his players, coaching staff, family, friends and well-wishers on a shutdown University Ave. University President Brian C. Mitchell also announced that Flannery would be taking a position in

the University's Alumni and Development Relations office, effective July 1, 2008.

Speaking four days after stepping down as the winningest coach in the history of the Patriot League, Flannery reiterated how good he felt about his decision.

"Lately, I feel like I've had better conversations with people, am seeing more people," he said during a sit-down interview in his office. "I'm coaching my boys in Little League. I went roller skating for the first time in my life on Saturday."

He continued, "My eyes are bright. I'm excited. It feels like a breath of fresh air."

The timing of the decision comes after a tough season for

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Pat Flannery '80 is the only coach in Patriot League history to record a win in the NCAA Tournament: '05-Kansas, '06-Arkansas

Four Bison make All-Patriot League team

Winter, Haire, Sciubba, Menzies earn honors for men's lacrosse

By Wes Trowbridge
Sports Editor

On Wednesday, four members of the men's lacrosse team were named to the 2008 All-Patriot League Lacrosse team, including Austin Winter '10 who earned first-team recognition for the second straight season.

This followed a bitter loss on Saturday when Colgate spoiled the team's bid to host the Patriot League Tournament, upsetting the No. 19 Bison 11-9 on Senior Night at Christy Mathewson-Memorial Stadium. The Bison will now face No. 1 seed Army in the first round of the Patriot League Tournament Friday afternoon.

While Winter was the Orange and Blue's lone representative on the first-team, goalkeeper Nick Sciubba '09, defenseman Billy Haire '09 and midfielder Perry Menzies '09 all earned Second Team All-Patriot League honors. The Bison's four representatives trailed only No. 14 Navy (nine), Colgate (five), and No. 11 Army (five).

Winter leads the Patriot League in points (44), points per game (3.38), assists (27), assists per game (2.08) and is a top candidate to win Patriot League Player of the Year, one year after being named Rookie of the Year in 2007.

Haire was named to the first-team in 2007 and picked up a

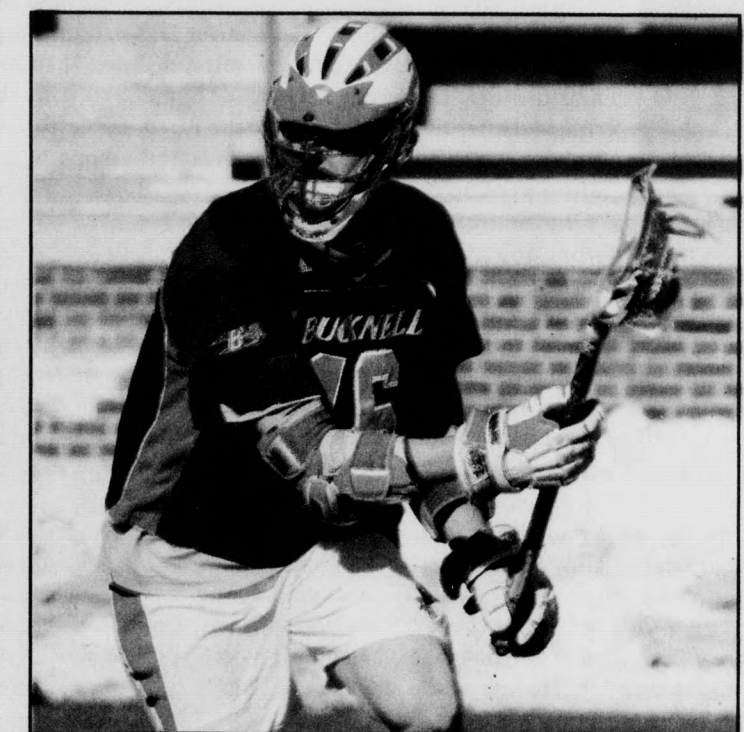
team-leading and career-high 42 ground balls this season while defending the opposing team's biggest offensive threat each game. This was the second consecutive season that Sciubba and Menzies were named to the second-team.

Attackman Tim Brandau '10 was left off of the All-Patriot League squad despite ranking second in the league in goals (27) and goals per game (2.08), and fifth in points (33) and points

per game (2.54). On Saturday, the Red Raiders (4-2, 8-5) outscored the Bison 4-1 in the fourth quarter, marking the third consecutive season the Bison have lost to Colgate in its regular season finale.

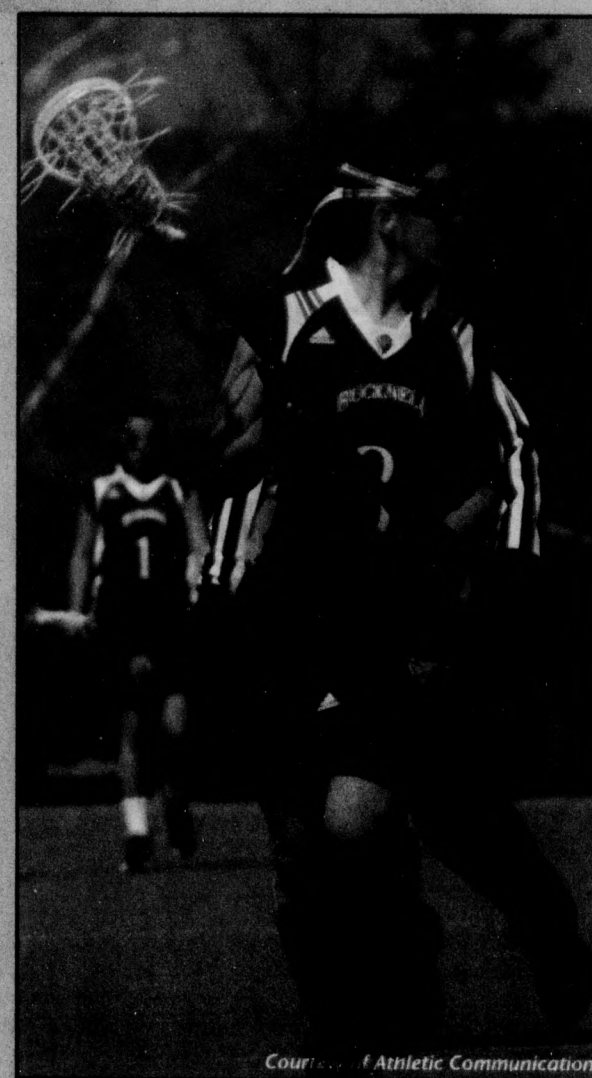
"It was a very intense, physical, hard-fought game and unfortunately we failed to make a few plays down the stretch," Co-Captain and Midfielder Mark Lane '08 said.

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Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Austin Winter '10 and the Bison will face No. 1 seed Army Friday in the Patriot League Tournament.

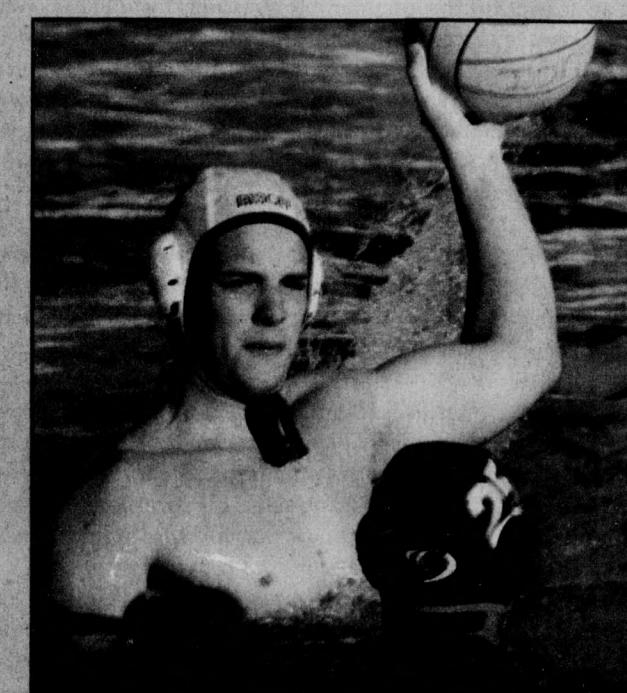
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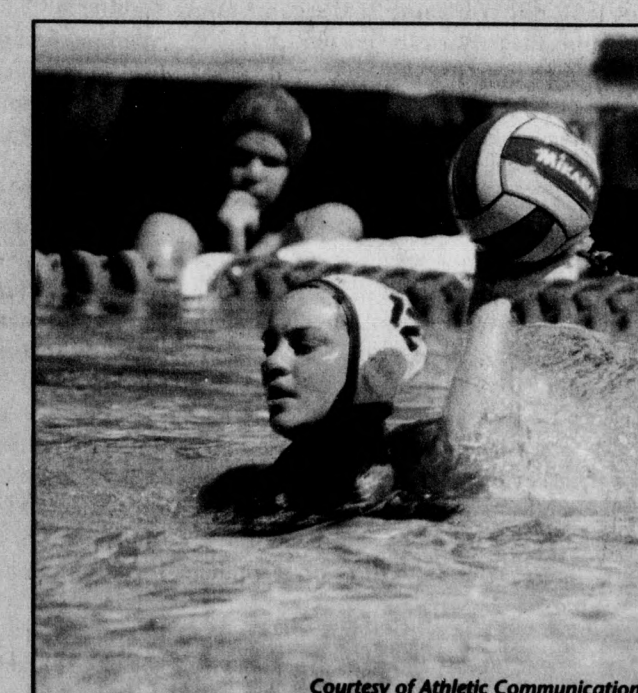
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Female Athlete of the year:
Carol Donohue '10



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Coach of the year:
John Abdou - Water polo



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Male Rookie of the year:
Richie Hyden '11



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Female Rookie of the year:
Kandis Canonica '11



Saylor Says

By Matthew Saylor
Associate Editor of Content

I have been privileged to witness and experience a lot of special moments, while meeting and working with a lot of great people. My final column serves as a salute to those people and the memories they have provided.

1. Feb. 26, 2005 - Chris Niesz '05, the lone senior on the men's basketball team, drilled a game-winning three-pointer on Senior Night as time expired to send the Bison to a 60-59 win over Colgate at Sojka Pavilion. This was the regular-season finale for the Bison, and the Orange and Blue lost a 10-point lead in the final minutes.

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Bison lose double overtime thriller

Women's lacrosse suffers back to back losses against Columbia and Lehigh

By Kyle Barndoll
Sports Editor

The women's lacrosse team closed out its season Wednesday with an 8-7 loss to Columbia. Four days earlier the Orange and Blue dropped their final home contest with a crushing 11-10 double overtime loss to Patriot League foe Lehigh. The Bison finish at 6-8 for the year, and 1-5 in conference play.

"Our attackers are young and still learning to stay disciplined and close out games," said Head Coach Caline McHenry.

Wednesday's game at Columbia saw four lead changes with the Bison ultimately coming out on the losing end.

Chelsea Peters '10 netted the first goal of the game for the Orange and Blue with an assist from Carol Donohue '10. A goal from Bonnie Buechel '09 six and a half minutes later stretched the lead to 2-0.

Columbia scored four of the next five goals to close out the half with a 4-3 lead. Another goal 1:47 into the second put the Lions up 5-3.

Goals from Lauren Deitrich '08 and Buechel tied it at 5-5 with 21:06 left.

After falling behind 6-5, Donohue and Peters went back-to-back to give the Orange and

Blue the 7-6 lead with 11:31 left. Columbia scored the final two goals of the game however, including the go-ahead tally with 3:57 remaining to claim the 8-7 win.

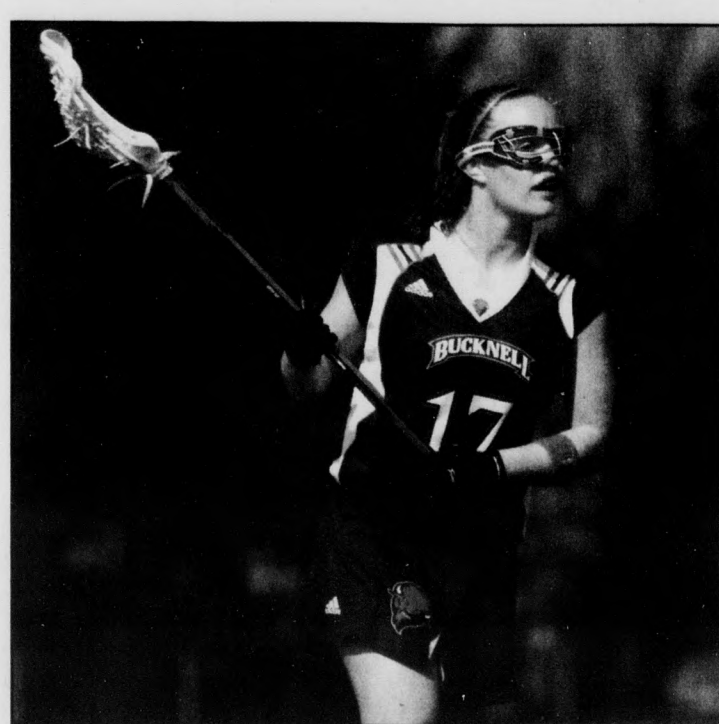
The Bison closed out their home schedule with a tough two-OT loss to Lehigh Saturday. "I was pleased with the overall effort of the team during the game," said McHenry. "We did a good job executing in the first and second half, but at certain points we failed to execute."

The Bison led 7-5 to begin the second half before the excitement began.

Paige Kasschau '10 scored a go-ahead goal with 25:17 left after Lehigh tied it at 7-7.

Almost ten minutes passed before Lehigh tied it again at 8-8, but just 12 seconds later Becca Devine '11 gave the Orange and Blue yet another lead, this time 9-8. Sarah Collins '09 scored the final goal of the game for the Bison at the 12:13 mark to make it 10-8.

After giving up a goal to make it 10-9, the Bison gained control of the ball and began to run out the clock. With just about two minutes remaining, Kasschau fought through a double team and found herself with an open lane to the goal. Kasschau's short range shot was turned aside by



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Julia Braun '11 started 13 games in her rookie season, finishing in a tie for third on the team with 22 goals scored.

Lehigh goalkeeper Kelsie Faris, leading to a transition goal for the Mountain Hawks with 1:45 remaining to tie the score at 10-10.

Neither team attempted a shot in the first overtime, and after Lehigh won the draw in the second OT, Inneke Carmola scored her fifth goal of the day for the game winner.

The Orange and Blue finish the season in fifth place in the

Tennis teams overpowered by Blue Hens

By Jordan Brodsky
Senior Writer

The Bison men and women's tennis teams took on the Delaware Blue Hens Tuesday and both fell 5-2 on Senior Day. Before the match, captain Caitlin Baffa '08 was honored for the women while co-captains Ben Young '08 and Ira Reibesen '08 were honored for the men.

The scheduled Wednesday matches against Bloomsburg University were cancelled; no make-up date has been announced.

For the women, the Bison picked up one win on the doubles side thanks to Tania Varela '10 and Lauren Lucido '11 who defeated Susan Pollack and Courtney Fennimore 8-5. Varela and Lucido finished the season with 12 doubles wins apiece, good enough for the team lead.

On the singles side, Varela beat Pollack once again, this time in three-set fashion 3-6, 6-3, 6-2.

The only other win for the Orange and Blue was another three setter as Lauren Rottkamp '11 topped Alexa Dragonette, 1-6, 7-5, 10-8.

Rottkamp finished with a team high 12 singles wins on

the year. The Orange and Blue finished the season with a 9-11 (4-2) record.

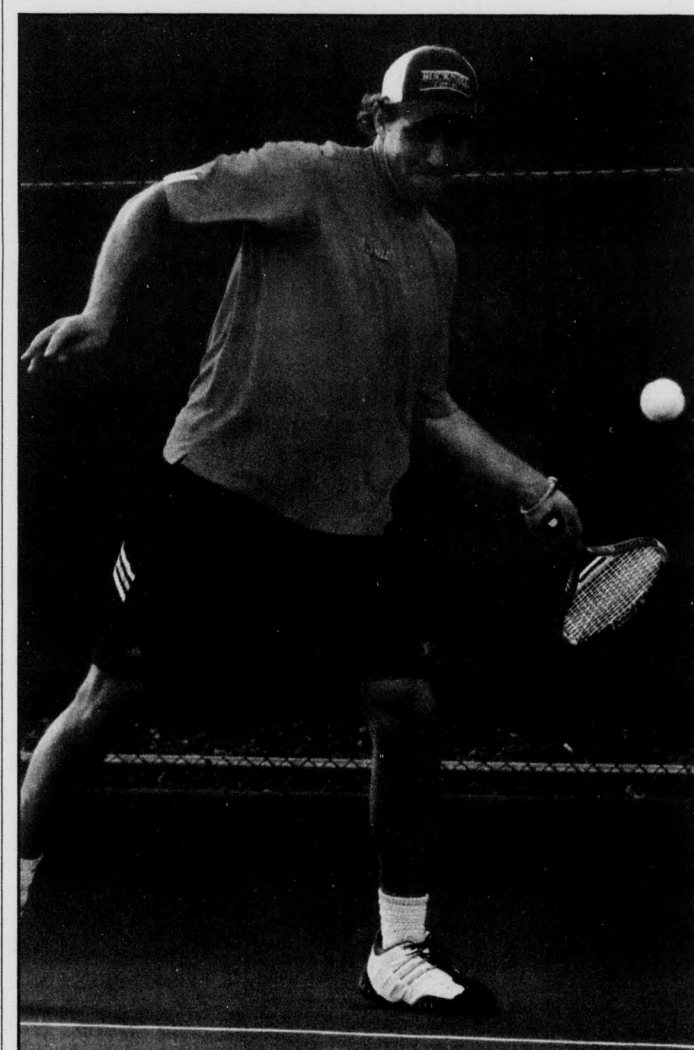
For the men, the Bison took the doubles point as two teams were able to win their matches. Reibesen and Ryan Sandburg '09 won their match 8-6, while Mark Malloy '11 and Young posted an 8-4 victory.

In singles play Malloy picked up the lone win of the five spot as he defeated Jon Schwartz 6-3, 7-5. He continues to lead the Orange and Blue with 12 singles wins.

"I feel that everyone came into the match a little flat. After we took the doubles point, Delaware stepped up and won matches ... it is important for us to regroup, refocus and play well in the matches to come," Malloy said.

Carrying a 10-9 (3-2) record, the Bison head to Hamilton, N.Y. this weekend to compete in the Patriot League Championship.

"Each member of our team is excited to head to Colgate for the Patriot League Tournament. We earned the third seed in the tournament ... playing Lehigh in the first round is a big advantage for us because we defeated Lehigh earlier in the season," Malloy said.



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Ryan Sandburg '09 won his doubles match with partner Ira Reibesen '08 8-6.

day, this time defeating Holy Cross at Sojka Pavilion 74-59. This completed the Bison's historic undefeated run against league competition, 17 wins and zero losses. Bettencourt nailed six of his career 294 three-pointers on this day, setting the tone for the Orange and Blue, as he had done so many previous times with classmate and co-captain Lee, for his final time at Sojka Pavilion.

9. I knew it was a strong possibility, but I still hoped it would not happen. Yet, there was an e-mail in my inbox at 9:30 p.m. Thursday, April 17 announcing a major men's basketball press conference the following morning at 10 a.m. There was only one thing it could be, and it was the "it" I dreaded. Pat Flannery '80 confirmed his retirement from coaching April 18, exactly 37 months after leading the University to its most significant win in athletics history. I'm glad he will still be around the school in a fundraising capacity, for it is the man I would have missed most more than the coach. He always made time for me and The Bucknellian, never belittling us because we were not the Associated Press or ESPN. He always asked about stuff happening in my life, my classes, my future, offering to help in anyway he could. The University is lucky he will remain.

10. Finally, thank you to the staff of The Bucknellian. I can't thank everybody, but I would like to take a moment to recognize Big J, BMulls, BDolla, JCC (who, along with Big J, recruited me), MLax, the Teaspoon, Wynn, K squared, my quartet of juniors abroad, ABL and my office wife.

Also, thanks to my family, friends and future employer (whoever you are).

'Ray Bucknell.

Bison Briefs

Men's golf seeks third consecutive PL title

The men's golf team will make a bid to capture its third consecutive Patriot League Championship title Saturday and Sunday at Saucon Valley Country Club in Bethlehem, Pa. Lehigh University will be the host school of this year's tournament.

The Bison was favored to win the title by the 2008 Golf Championship Poll earlier in the year. The poll is comprised of voting from coaches and sports information directors.

Representing the Orange and Blue will be Keita Aoki '08, Stuart Lindgren '08, Rahul Desai '08, Brian Poe '09, Andrew Cohen '10 and Ben Mat-

tingly '11. Aoki and Lindgren lead the squad this spring with stroke averages of 73.6 and 74.4, respectively.

Desai is averaging 75.5 this fall and finished eighth at the George Washington Invitational in March. Cohen was the Patriot League Co-Rookie of the Year in 2007 and Mattingly has made a strong bid to keep that award in Lewisburg, averaging with scores of 71, 73 and 72 in his last three tournament rounds.

Poe, a native of Chagrin Falls, Ohio, tied for third individually (70-72-71) at the Bucknell Invitational in the fall.

Passionman Triathlon

Members of Professor Shrivastava's "Managing with Passion" capstone class held the first ever Passionman Triathlon on and around the Bucknell Campus Thursday afternoon. Ideal weather and a strong turnout of student, faculty and staff athletes made for a very successful inaugural race.

"We found this year a success, and hopefully they'll agree that it's a great event that should be able to grow in the future," said race director Abby Borden '08.

In the Men's Division, Matt McGraw '08 was first to cross the finish line with a time of 1:15:34. Second place went to Spencer Hallowell '10 (1:19:30) and Dominick DiSabatino '08 (1:20:14) rounded out the top three.

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The event was also held to raise money for the Annette Shade Relief Fund and the Bucknell Swim Team. A minimum \$20 donation was required to participate and race organizers accepted donations throughout race day. The class was successful in raising a total of \$707.

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Pavilion where the organizers had a 40-foot high inflatable arch set-up at the finish line. The students in Shrivastava's class also held a barbecue and awards ceremony following the race.

The degree to which the campus came out to participate and volunteer for the race was more than some of the race organizers anticipated.

"When recruiting, we had tried to keep the number small at first, but were surprised with how quickly word spread without much publicity. We had about 42 people finally signed up to compete in the race ... students, faculty and staff," said Borden.

"The 'Managing with Passion' capstone was one Shrivastava, a professor in the management department, created after he completed his first triathlon on the latter side of his 50th birthday.

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Bison finish second at PL Championships

Women's tennis team falls to Army in championship to earn runner up spot

By Jordan Brodsky
Senior Writer

The women's tennis team placed second at the Patriot League Championships over the weekend in West Point, N.Y. The Bison were defeated by Army in the championship match for the fourth consecutive season.

In the team's semi-final match on Saturday, after their number two seed earned them a first round bye, the Bison defeated the Colgate Raiders 4-0 to earn a bid to the championship match against Army on Sunday. The Bison fought against Army but came up on the short end, losing 4-3 to the Black Knights.

The Bison did not have to finish their last three singles matches on Saturday because they had already accumulated the necessary four points to win the match against Colgate.

The Bison opened up the day by sweeping the doubles matches. Tania Varela '10 and Lauren Lucido '11 defeated Elise DeRose and Sam Inacker, 8-1 at the number one spot. At the

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number two spot, Paulina Gamboa '09 and Carlin Calcaterra '10 topped Cameron Williams and Stephanie Bender, 8-4. The third doubles match was stopped midway through as the first two matches had secured the point for the Orange and Blue.

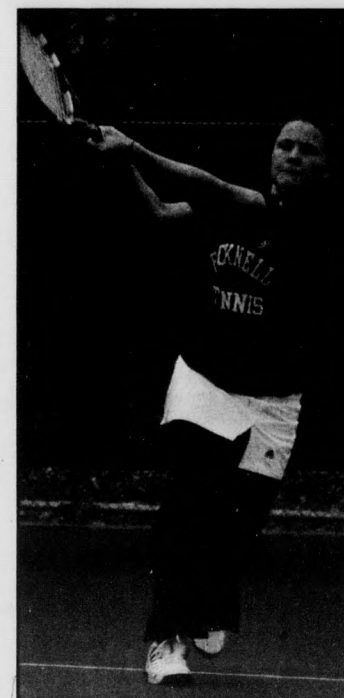
In singles play, only the first three matches were completed; the Bison won each of them. At number one singles, Varela defeated Elise DeRose, 6-1, 6-1. Gamboa beat Sam Inacker, 6-2, 7-5 at the number two spot.

The clincher came at number three with Lucido topping Isabel Riemer, 6-3, 6-1.

The Bison were defeated Sunday afternoon in the Patriot League Championship by the Black Knights of Army. The day started off strong for the Orange and Blue as they won two out of three doubles matches to secure the doubles point. Varela and Lucido were once again victorious at the number one spot. They defeated Niki Flach and Anne Houghton, 8-6. Gamboa and Calcaterra also won their match as they narrowly edged Sarah Giles-Madden/Kristin Beeher, 9-7 at the number two spot.

The Orange and Blue need to pick up three singles matches to secure the championship; unfortunately they were only able to pick up two. Varela won her number one singles match over Anne Houghton, 7-6, 5-7, 6-0 and Gamboa defeated 2007 Player of the Year Niki Flach, 7-6 (3), 6-1.

At number three singles, Lucido won the first set 6-3 over Sarah Giles-Madden but dropped the next two sets 6-4, 6-3. Carcaterra, Dara Dwojewski '11 and Lauren Rottkamp



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Lauren Rottkamp '11 dropped her match against Army's Diana Alquer 7-5, 7-5

'11 all dropped their matches in straight sets to end the 2008 Patriot League season.

Next year, the team will look to capture the elusive Patriot League Championship as only one player will be graduating from this year's squad.

Track teams place second in scored meet

By Brian Mulligan
Sports Editor

The men's and women's track and field teams both placed second at the Bucknell Team Challenge last weekend in the only scored meet of the season. On the men's side, Penn State won the meet with 237.5 points, while the Bison compiled a total of 152 points. The women's team scored 151 points behind Penn State with 244 points.

Kevin Macleod '09 posted a career-best time of 52.52 seconds in the 400-meter hurdles, which was the second best in Bison history. He won the event and qualified for the ICA4A Championship.

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the third-best jump in Bison history to take second place. He cleared an ICA4A qualifying height of 6 feet 8 3/4 inches. Drew Fitzgerald '11 also placed in the high jump, taking third with a jump of 6-6 1/4. Fitzgerald also tied for third in the pole vault with teammate Ryan White '10, both clearing a height of 14-9.

The team of Kyle Ramer '10, Wallace Campbell '08, Clayton Smith '11 and Hrush won the 4x800 relay, clocking a time of 7:53.78.

The Bison took the top three positions in the javelin with Chris Gabryluk '09 winning the event with a heave of 187-6. Michael Deatherage '11 and Eric Weaver '08 took second and third, respectively. Deatherage notched a mark of 177-1 while Weaver posted a throw of 161-1.

Beverly Rogers '08 and Laura Rycek '11 led the way for the Orange and Blue on the women's side. The duo took first and second in the javelin respectively. Rogers won the event with an NCAA East Regional standard of 150-10, while Rycek posted a mark of 135-2.

"I believe this meet really helped our women's team because we needed to see a high quality opponent in Penn State," Donner said. "Penn State is much better than anyone in the Patriot League so this meet toughened us up and we are now a better team as we approach the league meet."

In the pole vault, Rebecca Frey '11 earned first-place honors, clearing a career-best height of 11-11 1/4. Her mark was the third best in Orange and Blue history.

Five Bison scored in the 3,000-meter run with Jennifer Grant '08 winning the event. Grant posted a time of 10:40.74.

Gillian Nordquist '09 and Christine Totten '08 finished second and third respectively, while teammate Kim Hassett '09 placed fifth with a time of 11:01.44. Erin Heidecker '10 rounded out the five scorers for the Orange and Blue, clocking a time of 11:06.75 to take sixth.

The Bison 4x800 relay team of Erin Cranmer-Hart '08, Victoria Gilbert '08, Leighann Diehl '11 and Jenny Dalzell '09 crossed the finish line first with a time of 9:40.79.

The Orange and Blue will be sending a select squad to the prestigious Penn Relay on April 24-26 in Philadelphia, Pa., while the rest of the team will be traveling to St. Francis, Pa. to compete in the Red Flash Open Saturday.

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The loss was the Bison's second in a row and finalized the team's regular season record at 9-4, 4-2 in the Patriot League. The No. 4 seeded Bison will face No. 1 seed and tournament host Army on Friday.

Winter and Brandau each scored three goals in a game in which no team managed a lead of more than two points. Mike Danylshyn '11, Lane and Menzies also recorded two points each.

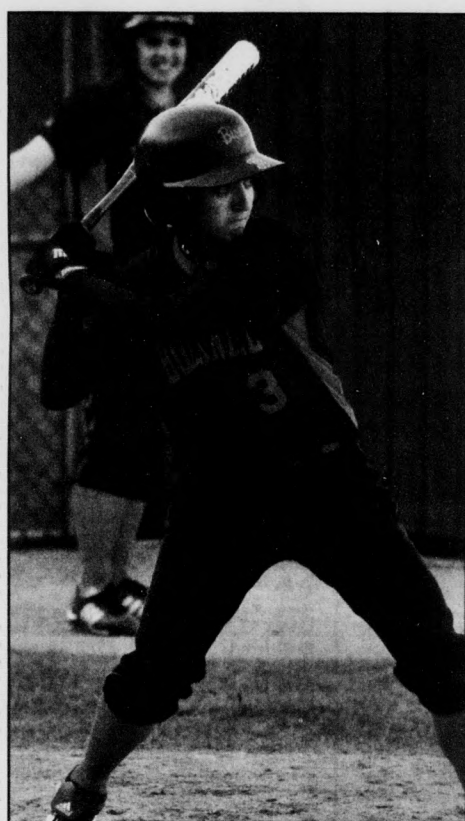
After being honored with eight other seniors prior to the game, Lane tallied two assists and led the team in ground balls. As a defensive midfielder, Lane doesn't fill the stat sheet but plays the kind of tenacity that inspires his teammates.

"[Lane] had his best game ever with five of the most courageous ground balls that I have seen ... he chipped in on the offensive end as well," Head Coach Frank Fedor-jaka said.

While the loss was disappointing, it has not altered the team's goal of a Patriot League Championship. The Orange and Blue will take the field against Navy Friday at West Point, N.Y. The Bison defeated the Black Knights 7-4 on April 4 in Lewisburg.

"Although we are not happy with the loss to Colgate, it doesn't change the fact that we have to win two play-off games to become Patriot League Champions ... we are excited about the weekend and hopefully we can repeat a win against Army."

Softball takes three of four from Army



Courtesy of Athletic Communications
Kristen Frick '09 hit her first career home run last Saturday against Army.

By John Mlodzinski
Senior Writer

The softball team hosted Army in a four-game Patriot League match-up last weekend and came out with three victories.

"The Army victories were great in a sense that we put three strong wins on

the board and a close loss," Head Softball Coach Heather Rakosik said.

The Bison defeated the Black Knights 6-2 in the first game and 7-0 in the second game Sunday.

In game one, Christie Wiest '08 picked up her career-high 10th win of the season. Wiest was dominant from start to finish, as she only surrendered two runs on six hits while striking out eight.

"Christie Wiest really stepped up, as she has all season. It was great to see her pick up her 10th win, as well as break the Bucknell career strikeouts record and innings pitched," Rakosik said.

With the exception of the first two, the team scored at least one run in each inning. RBIs by Sam Rollandi '11 and Lauren Fry '11 put the Bison on the board first inning. Kristin Frick '09 hit her first career home run, and after throwing errors by the Black Knights in the fifth and sixth innings, the Bison went up 6-2 for good.

In game two, Fry recorded five RBIs while going 3-4 in the game. After an unearned run in the first and an RBI by Fry in the second, the Bison led 2-0. In the bottom of the fourth, Frick tripled. After the next two batters went down in order, Fry hit an opposite field home run to give the Bison a 4-0 lead. The Bison added three more runs in the sixth to go up 7-0.

Katie McDonald '09 started on the mound for the Bison and pitched remarkably. She was able to work out of two jams—one with runners on second and third, and one with the bases loaded. She went the distance, surrendering zero runs on five hits, while striking out five.

The Bison hosted Army in the first of two doubleheaders Saturday. The Orange and Blue only picked up one win that day, winning the first game 11-2 and dropping the second 7-5.

In game one, the Bison offense came flying out of the gate, scoring two runs in the first inning and another in the third. After giving up two runs at the top of the fourth, the defense shut down the Army offense and did not allow another run while the offense responded with six runs in the bottom of the inning.

Wiest picked up the win for the Bison, allowing two runs on three hits and three strikeouts. With the three strikeouts, Wiest now stands alone atop the University's softball strikeout list.

"I think it is great Christie has received 10 wins this season. We have finally been able to come together as a team and we hope to continue to grow stronger in hitting, pitching and defense in order to get her a few more wins before the season is over," Ashley Beans '09 said.

The second game did not go the way the Bison were hoping, after such an overpowering performance in the first game. Army jumped out to a 4-0 lead, and the Bison were not able to make a successful comeback bid, falling 7-5.

"I am very proud of the way the team played this weekend, especially to come back on Sunday and take both games after splitting on Saturday," Frick said.

The team returns to action this weekend when it hosts Holy Cross for a four-game regular season finale. Then it is off to the Patriot League Tournament.

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utes of play, leading to Niesz's heroics off an inbound pass under the Bison basket from Charles Lee '06 with 1.6 seconds left. The student fans still remaining at the game (Dave Coulter of "Full House" fame was performing his standup act that evening) rushed the court, including me. My roommate and I posted the Niesz-head on a popsicle stick given out that night on are room door. I think that shot gave us a boost of confidence that got us our first Patriot League Tournament title.

2. Athletic Communications - The office of Athletic Communications never failed to let me down, providing me with help on what seemed like an almost daily basis. Jon Terry '93, assistant director of Athletic Communications and Todd Merriett, assistant director of Athletic Communications, specifically, always were there to point me in the right direction, answer my questions, or listen to my nit-picking about a statistical inaccuracy.

I'd also like to thank John Hardt, director of athletics and recreation, Tim Pavlechko '91, senior associate director of athletics, Todd Newcomb '88, associate director of athletics, Mike McFarland, assistant director of athletics, and Joe Santorine, manager of recreation services for all of their time and help. I will miss working with you all.

3. March 18, 2005 - I'll never forget watching the No. 14 Bison upset No. 3 Kansas in the first round of the NCAA Tournament. I was in my basement at home, expecting the jayhawks to defeat the Bison on their way to advancing to the Final Four like my bracket predicted. The longer the Orange and Blue stayed in the game, the less I cared about my bracket. I'll watch highlights of the game online or on the taped copy I made of the game whenever I'm feeling nostalgic or am looking for inspiration. It never fails.

4. Press Row - Tom Housenick, formerly the sports editor of The Daily Item and now working for The Morning Call in Allentown, set the example for me in how to act when with the media. He openly shared with me his insights of the game and always had an answer for the innumerable questions I would ask. When it came to issues surrounding football and men's or women's basketball, Mr. Housenick was always the first one I turned to for help. Fans of Bison athletics, or of great writers, will miss your contributions. Thanks also go out to Chris A. Couragon, Jake Felix, Chris Brady and Barb Krohn for their coverage of Bison athletics and their aid to me.

5. Dec. 6, 2005 - In last week's issue I wrote about the night when No. 4 Villanova traveled to Lewisburg to take on the Bison. That evening proved to me a great crowd will create a great atmosphere, regardless of the score of the game.

6. Bingo - Doug Birdsong, the "Voice" of the Bison, provided me with many great thrills listening to multiple different sports over the radio. He is also a great man to talk sports with, open to your opinion and unafraid to provide his own. For the games I cannot make in the future, I know that Mr. Birdsong will help me fill the void.

7. Feb. 25, 2006 - My second senior night at Sojka Pavilion still gives me chills when thinking about it. Seniors Kevin Bettencourt, Charles Lee, Holland Mack and Tariq Vier-McClymont were all honored with standing ovations in an emotional pre-game ceremony in front of a sell-out crowd. There may never again be a class with their level of talent, charisma, leadership and poise.

8. March 10, 2006 - The Orange and Blue won their second consecutive Patriot League Tournament championship on this

Baseball knocks off Penn State Behrend, St. Bonaventure; splits four games with Navy

By Kenny Black
Senior Writer

Bucknell improved its record on the road Wednesday afternoon to 21-18-2, prevailing over St. Bonaventure 9-6. The Bison scored the majority of their runs early on in a game that wasn't as close as the score suggests. Hunter George '09 and Jared Kuchmerker '09 collected two RBIs each and Daniel Hart '11 earned the win out of bullpen, pitching three innings without giving up a hit.

After being rained out of the second half of its doubleheader with Navy on Sunday, the Bison held on to secure the win 5-4 at home Monday afternoon in a nail biter. The Bison are now 9-7 in Patriot League. Jason Buursma '08 nominated for the Lowe's Senior Class Award, jacked his 21st home run of his career, 10th of the season, to tie the Bison record for career home runs.

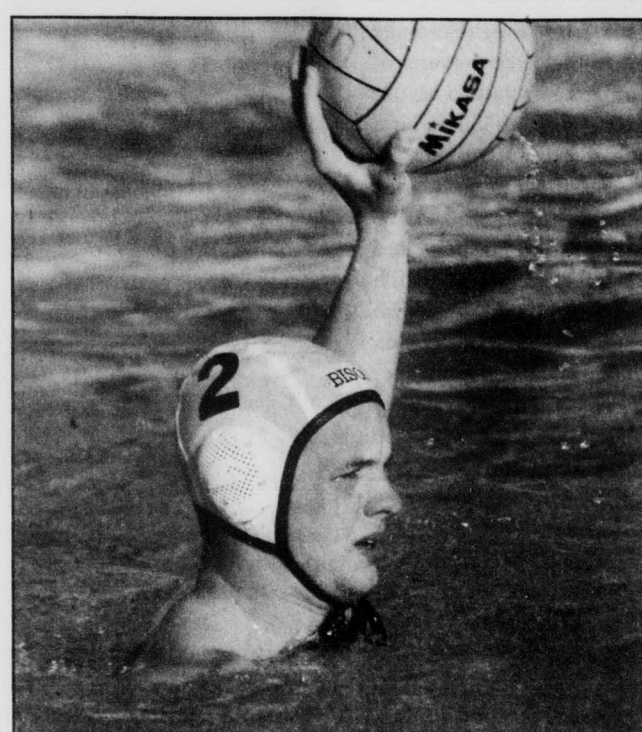
Dylan Seely '11 (3-1) earned the win pitching six innings and giving up two earned runs on 10 hits. Trey Frahier '11 shut the door on the Midshipmen with his first career save.

On Sunday, the Orange and Blue rolled over Navy 8-2 with another impressive performance from Mat Wilson '08, elevating his record to

(3-1). The Bison jumped out to a huge lead in the first two innings with seven runs, as that would be all the run support Wilson would need, toss-

"The league is so even this year that every game will have an impact on

WATER POLO TRIO MAKES A SPLASH



Male Rookie of the Year:

Richie Hyden '11

by Brian Mulligan
Sports Editor

When Richie Hyden '11 was 12, his swim coach in Melbourne, Australia asked him if he'd like to try out water polo. Hyden had been a competitive swimmer all of his life and decided to get it a try. The minute he got in the pool for his first practice, he fell in love with the sport. Now, Hyden is third on the Bison water polo team for total points behind season veterans Jason Rechel '08 and Kyle Roslyn '08.

"Richie was a great player for us this year. He came in and immediately began working hard," Rechel said. "The best thing about Richie is that he has an immense amount of talent, but also is one of the hardest working guys on the team and will never shy away from a challenge. I believe when his career is all said and done he will have been one of the best players the Bucknell water polo program has ever seen."

Richie lived and trained in Melbourne until halfway through his sophomore year in high school when he transferred to Greenwich High School in Greenwich, Conn. Moving from Australia to the United States was a large transition, but his participation on the water polo and swim team helped with the change.

During his time at Greenwich High, he was two-time league player of the year, captain of the water polo team and a First-Team All-American as a junior. He was also part of the Australian National Youth and Junior teams. He also helped his swim team to a state championship as a junior.

Hyden was one of the most heavily recruited left-handed players in the country

last year, but knew the University was the right choice for him when he stepped on campus.

"After my first tour around the athletic facilities I was amazed and just thought it was awesome," Hyden said. "In relation to the program, I saw a team that I could hopefully play as a freshman and hopefully try and help build a very successful program. The coaching staff was a big reason why I picked Bucknell. There really isn't any other group of guys I would rather work with while improving my polo."

Hyden made a big splash the minute he hit the water in Kinney Natatorium. In his first game as a Bison at the Navy Labor Day Open, Hyden added two goals in the team's lost again then No. 2 Cal. Hyden then played an integral role in the Orange and Blue's ascension in the ranking throughout the season with highest national ranking of 11 after the Bison defeated then No. 20 Brown and No. 15 Princeton.

"The season went well. We started really well and really turned some heads while we climbed the national rankings," Hyden said. "Unfortunately I think we under-performed at a key time at Southern's which cost us at the Eastern Championships but over all I think that we really made a name for ourselves. I'm really hoping that we can take it to the next level next year and really show some of the big west coast school what we are really capable of."

Throughout the season, Hyden racked up an impressive 71 points in his rookie season. He notched a total of 40 goals and 31 assists. He also started in 26 of the 29 games he played this season. His contributions to the team showed at the end of

the season with numerous accolades from multiple sources.

At the end of the year banquet, former men's water polo coach John Zeigler '91 named Hyden the Bison rookie of the year for his commitment to the water polo program and excellence throughout the season. He was also named the All-Southern Collegiate Water Polo Association Rookie of the Year.

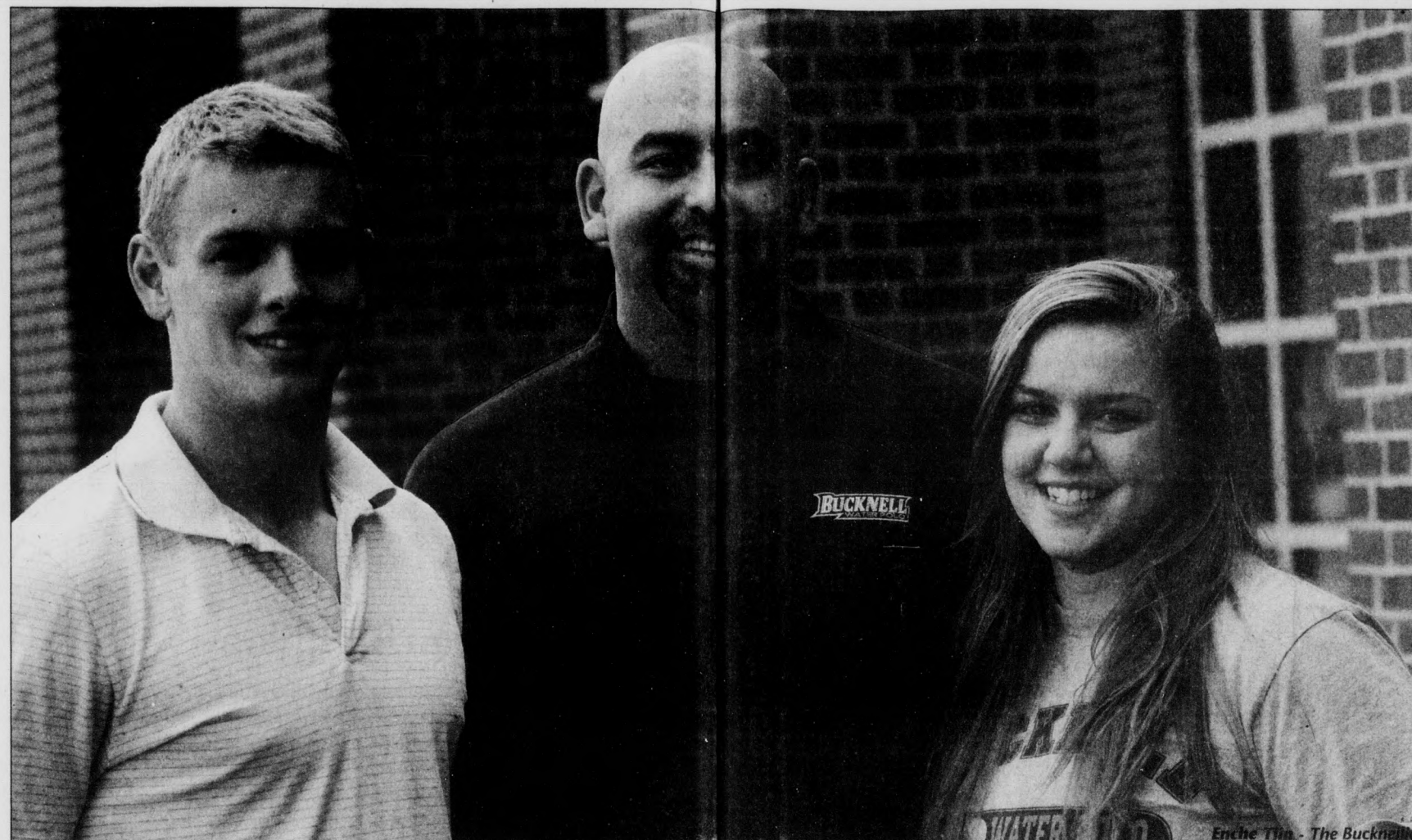
Hyden couldn't have done all his has done this season without the help of his teammates this season and the chemistry they forged throughout the season.

"The team really gets on well together. I think that having a team that enjoys each other's company is really important and having this helped us with the start we had this season," Hyden said. "The best part of the season would have to be our pre season in California. The team meets before we get on campus for coaches preseason and train and we just get to know each other. Being a freshman I think that this was a huge help in getting to know everyone before we started our season."

The future for Hyden look bright as he enters his sophomore year, but he also has big shoes to fill with the Bison graduating seven seniors. Under the tutelage of interim head coach, John Abdou, Hyden feels confident moving forward.

"He [Abdou] really is an awesome coach and has done wonders for the program in such a short time," Hyden said. "Abdou also has high expectations for Hyden future after seeing his impressive rookie season."

"He will go down as one of the best players to ever put a cap on for Bucknell," Abdou said.



Coach of the Year: John Abdou Head coach — Men's and Women's Water Polo

By Jon Campbell Copp
Senior Writer

The weight of a Division I varsity program is a load not to be taken lightly. Many have sought to shoulder the responsibility, only to falter under the magnitude of directing the many elements of any given team in the lightning-fast world of NCAA athletics. The position of head coach of both the men's and women's water polo teams.

On Jan. 10, Assistant Water Polo Coach John Abdou was unexpectedly asked to temporarily assume the role as head coach for both of the University's water polo programs. "The assignment came as a result of the retirement announcement from previous Head Coach John Zeigler, leaving Abdou heir to the strong program that Zeigler had been building for nearly a decade."

Abdou not only filled the position, but magnified it, leading the women's team on a record-breaking campaign with a national ranking high of 19th.

"In taking the interim head coaching job this spring, Coach Abdou had to balance coaching both teams, finish up his graduate program, as well as keep up with recruiting for the future of the program," said Kyle Roslyn '08, men's team co-captain. "In being able to do all of that and still have a successful season as he did with the women's program, it speaks volumes about what kind of person he is."

A native of the west coast, where water polo has its roots, Abdou began playing the sport following his freshman year at Temple City High School, in Temple City, Calif.

"My freshman year I swam, and I was a pretty slow swimmer," said Abdou. "And then during the summer some of my friends asked me to play water polo with them and see if I liked it. I fell in love with it immediately."

Since then, Abdou and the game have been nearly inseparable. His successful high school career got him serious attention from more than a few powerhouse universities, ultimately landing him a spot at UC-Irvine, where he played under the tutelage of water polo coaching legend Ted Newland, who holds the all-time record for career NCAA wins.

"I was a little fish in a big pond out there at UC-Irvine, and at least five of

my teammates have since been on the Olympic team," said Abdou. "I was never a star while I was out there, but I learned a lot from being around great coaches and great athletes."

Earning a degree in sociology, Abdou combined his love for teaching and water polo by taking a school-hours position as a social science teacher at Burbank High School, and an after-school position as the head coach of both the men's and women's water polo teams.

A mighty task indeed, especially considering the dismal state of both teams upon Abdou's arrival. Nevertheless, Abdou put his head down and inspired both poolside and desk-side, helping lift his athletes on both teams into playoff contention and his students to new levels of education. Voted one of Los Angeles' Most Inspirational Teachers in 2005, Abdou also helped to pilot Burbank's first ever AP psychology class.

"My goal for anyone that I ever teach is to get them to not only reach their potential, but to surpass any potential that they have, athletically and even personally," said Abdou. "I love my athletes, and I love my teams, and I think that that relationship usually fuels their success."

With all that work and intensity, one would think that a deserved sum-

mer-time break would have been on the calendar for Abdou, but instead he traveled across the country, coaching at summer water polo camps. This was the path that serendipitously led Abdou to the University, following his first meeting with Zeigler in 2002 at the Naval Academy Water Polo Camp.

In 2005, Abdou got a call from Zeigler regarding the newly created assistant coach position on his staff. Citing the opportunity, Abdou went coast to coast for his first look at collegiate level coaching.

The road has been ever sweeter for the Orange and Blue water polo since Abdou's arrival, and the University can only fill the seats of Kinney Natatorium in suspense to see what the future will hold for the rising water polo programs.

"I have total confidence that the team next year will have many successes as well as hold an awesome potential to break more program records and become more recognized on the national scale," Jen Swayer '08 said.

Although it has historically been a west-coast-fueled sport, water polo has certainly been gaining momentum in the East, as it has at the University. Perhaps the only obstruction to a boom is that few people have ever actually seen a water polo game.

"It's such a neat fusion of so many other sports," said Abdou on the nature of water polo. "It's like basketball, wrestling, soccer and hockey all rolled into one. It's just so intense, and one of the most physically grueling sports to participate in and yet one of the most entertaining to watch."

Regardless of how long it takes for enough people to catch on, Abdou will continue to lead the Bison as they take the pool this weekend at the Eastern Championships in Ann Arbor, Mich. The season has been full of excitement thus far, and the team is hoping to cap the year with a few more entries for the record books.

Still, the year has not been anything beyond what Abdou and his team have expected. Over his three years at the University, and working with Zeigler when he was still here, Abdou has sought to re-skill the lines of the Orange and Blue's footprint by changing team recruitment strategies, scheduling patterns and training exercises.

"Coach Abdou has a deep knowledge of the game, and just as importantly, an intense desire to win, which all seem to be the right tools for a successful head coach," said Mark Masterson '08. "He is very motivating and brings out the best in his players in the biggest games."

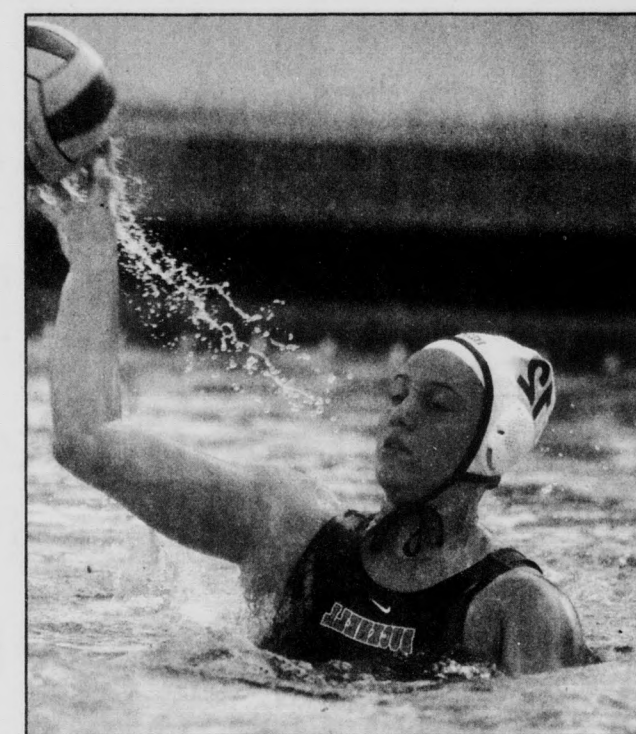
Coach John Abdou has proved that he is up to the task of managing a Division I athletic team. Though young in the profession, Abdou has drawn much from his past experiences. It is with that wisdom, along with his love for the game and his athletes that is as mortar for the bricks of success that his programs continue to pile high.

"One of my favorite Abdou moments this season was when we were at George Washington," said Meagan Gins '08, women's captain. "They had a really aggressive crowd, and every time GW did anything good or the Bison did anything bad, the crowd let us know. It was sometime in the third period after someone on our team scored. Abdou stood up, fist pumped and screamed, 'I love my team!' The whole crowd went silent, but our bench exploded."

The players truly know best the depth of their coach. How amazing it is then, when fans, competitors and colleagues alike are also privy to the love of a coach for his sport.

Female Rookie of the Year:

Kandis Canonica '11



By Jon Campbell Copp
Senior Writer

Have you ever seen those two goals they have down there in the pool? Ever wondered why they're there, or what goes on between them? Standing poolside, listening to the lapping of the water and feeling the heat rise off the pool may make it seem like quite a relaxing place. If that's your idea of the pool, then you missing out. Just sit in on a men's or women's water polo match and you'll not only learn a new definition for the word *intensity*, you will also never look at a pool the same way again.

For all those who did experience Bison water polo this spring, among the blue caps of the women's team you probably caught the figure of Kandis Canonica '11, the standout rookie Driver from Burlingame, Calif. Helping her team make program history with a 25-win season, a No. 19 national ranking, and a ticket to this weekend's Eastern Championships, Canonica has also individually broken several team scoring records and is in position to shatter many more.

"Kandis has met all of my expectations from the time I recruited her and has surpassed them in many ways," said women's water polo head coach John Abdou. "She has integrated herself into the starting lineup with ease and confidence. Everyone on the team loves to play with her because of her ability to make plays with her teammates."

This past weekend against Princeton, Canonica broke the single-season points record, tallying two goals and one assist to bump her point total up to 105, breaking the previous mark of 103 that Meagan Gins '08 set in 2006. Canonica also cruised past the season record mark for assists,

having dished out 57 thus far.

"What has impressed me most about Kandis' play is her determination," said teammate Aubrey Rowe '08. "She knows what needs to be done, and she does it consistently. Her number of assists on the season is outstanding."

A left-handed player, Canonica came into the line-up this year surrounded by high expectations from both coaches and teammates alike. Achieving perhaps one of the most challenging tasks in sports, Canonica not only appeased the hopes of her team, but instilled even greater resolve in her squad through her consistent quality of play and enthusiastic attitude.

"I think that all of us knew that Kandis was going to be a big contributor to our team this year," said goalie Alison Carter '10. "She has accepted that role and exceeded our expectations with both her talent and attitude."

Naturally, one would expect victory to boost one's spirits and excitement, but what of the troughs of disappointment to which athletes must inevitably at some point dip to drink? Once again, Canonica has exceeded the standard through her love for the sport, her love of her team and her desire to find the well of success once more.

"I have always played with people that are a lot better than me," said Canonica. "Because of this I have always tried to be a type of playmaker, trying to have a vision of the pool so I can help my team score."

Canonica first found the game of water polo only six years ago following a successful career in swimming. The sport clicked with Canonica and it has been a great fit ever since. California is to water polo what Brazil is to soccer, the west coast competition thus helped cure Canonica's game at

the high school level where she likewise excelled. Leading her team in assists, goals and steals, she also played on the Stanford Water Polo Club Senior Team, a membership not to be taken lightly.

Regardless of past experience, the transition to college athletics is never an easy one, especially when coming to a challenging institution such as the University. Nearly as strong as their commitment must be to academics comes the athletes' loyalty to his/her team and sport. The bonds formed with teammates are invaluable, and oftentimes these relationships are the force that carries a team.

"I really just love my sport," said Canonica. "But being on a team is probably my favorite part about it."

Though Canonica's career is merely just beginning, she has already established herself both in and out of the pool. It is clear that as deadly as her presence is in the pool for her opponents, it is equally as inspiring to her teammates, which will most likely create problems for the teams the Bison face this weekend at Easterns.

Whether poolside rallying her team from the bench, patiently treading water before ripping a shot into the back of the net, sprinting to mid-pool to win the quarter-opening tip, or simply smiling during practice, Canonica is every bit the playmaker that her team needs her to be.

"She came in and made plays with us as if she had been here forever," teammate Valentina Rozas '10 said.

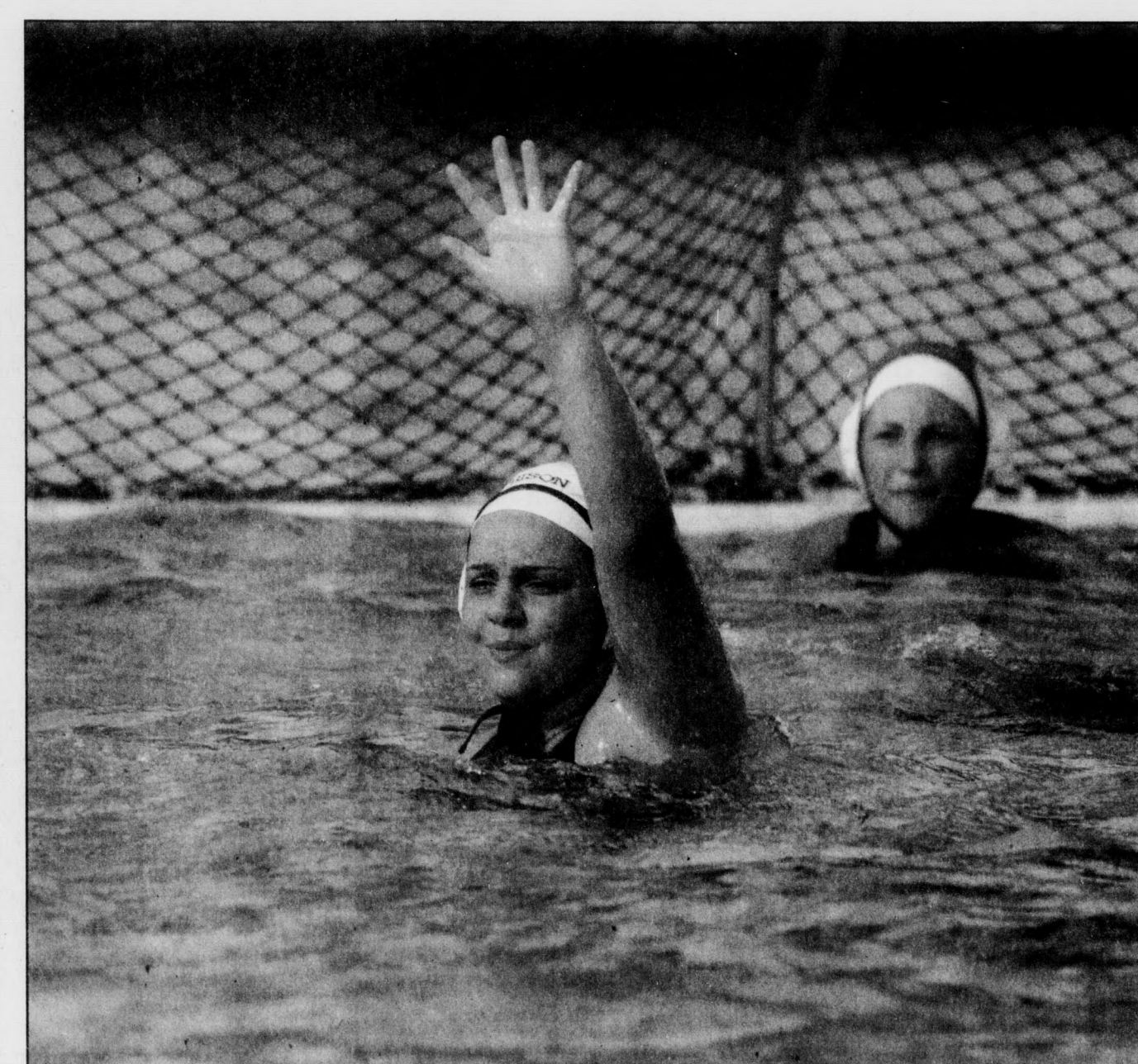
Think twice the next time you walk past the windows of Kinney Natatorium, remember that that peaceful water isn't just for doing laps. Be there next season for our water polo teams, and just as everyone feels about Canonica's performance this year, you too will not be disappointed.



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"When Coach John Zeigler announced that he was leaving the program back in January to pursue a career as a practicing attorney, it was an easy decision for us to name John Abdou as the interim head coach. John had done an exceptional job in his three years as an Assistant Coach working with both our men's and women's water polo programs and we were fortunate to have him available to step in and lead the program this spring. Our faith in his abilities has been rewarded as he has guided the women's program to a school-record 25 victories and a No. 5 seed at the upcoming Eastern Championships. In addition, John has accomplished these remarkable achievements in the most unusual and challenging of circumstances as the interim coach."

— John Hardt, Director of Athletics & Recreation



-JASON BUURSMA '08-**NOT YOUR
TYPICAL PITCHER**

Buursma complements his submarine pitching style with a complete offensive toolkit

By Jared Napolitano
Business Manager

In the 1988 movie, *Bull Durham*, catcher Crash Davis tells his erratic pitcher, "Nuke! LaLoosh that 'Strikeouts are boring! Besides that, they're fascist. Throw some ground balls - it's more democratic." Versatile Bison pitcher Jason Buursma '08 would have a difficult time falling into either of these classifications.

The major league prospect has proven to be one of the premier pitchers in Division I and for this and many other reasons he is The Bucknellian's 2008 Male Athlete of the Year.

The decorated reliever, pitcher and first baseman will inscribe his name all over the University's baseball record books. Already the career leader in saves (15), Buursma will likely finish in the top ten of almost every major pitching and hitting statistical category after this season concludes. Rarely do programs have the luxury of such an all-around talent, but the co-captain approaches the game with a simple motto - "I just want to play."

Buursma is modest in addressing his destiny to permeate the record books.

"I was lucky to play as a freshman. It's tough to compare with every Bison baseball player because at-bats are a huge factor. Some guys have to play behind really good players for three years before getting their shot," Buursma said.

A big reason for his success is that Buursma has been able to form a mindset that does not force power over contact, or overthink any situation.

"I just love being out there," Buursma said.

As the team's apparent ace, Buursma has posted a 5-2 record in seven starts with a 3.38 E.R.A.

and a stellar 9.10 strikeout per nine-inning ratio. When he is on the receiving side of pitches, the 43rd-round selection by the Seattle Mariners in 2007 has compiled a .402 batting average and leads the team in home runs (10) and slugging percentage (.729).

Holding the title of co-captain with fellow seniors Mat Wilson and Mark Angelo, Buursma provides leadership by setting useful example to younger players on the team.

"My title is not formal - the other guys don't have to listen to me," Buursma said. "I am willing to help, work hard and play the game the right way. That's the most you can do."

To his advantage, Buursma employs the "submarine" delivery, which is used by very few pitchers. The atypical side (nearly underarm) delivery enables him to keep hitters off balance and inject more movement into his pitches.

"My high school pitching coach showed me the style," Buursma said. "It came natural and I liked how it felt. I was able to hide the ball well and deceive the batter."

Such statistics as a 7.75 strikeout-to-walk ratio and a 1.16 walks and hits per innings pitched (WHIP) ratio support Buursma's success with his nonstandard delivery. In addition, over 61 innings he has only committed one wild pitch and posted a .259 batting average against. His ability to invoke groundouts much more easily than fly outs enables him to induce double plays and reduce extra-base hits. So, to Crash Davis, he would be a fascist democratic pitcher.

In his younger years, the Seattle native looked up to such Mariners stars as Randy Johnson, Alex Rodriguez and Ken Griffey, Jr., but mostly the lat-

ter. "He was the face of Seattle and had a great image," Buursma said. "Both defensively and offensively his game was smooth."

Despite Buursma's prolific offensive ability, his at-bats are down from previous years due to a combination of a greater emphasis on pitching and the team's luxury of having many talented hitters. With the ultimate goal of being a major league pitcher, he has modestly accepted the reduction in hitting opportunities with five of his teammates are hitting over .300 in 2008.

"With a solid group of hitters, the coaches have been able to see precisely who the go-to guys are before Patriot League contests even began," Buursma said.

While Buursma has certainly enjoyed his share of success on the field, he has also been recognized for his work in the classroom as well. An economics major who has made the Dean's List six of seven semesters and been named to the Patriot League Academic Honor Roll, Buursma has become adept at time management.

"It's a matter of choosing what to give up," Buursma said. "You can't type papers on a bus so a lot of times a weekend of two double-headers ends with typing a paper late on a Sunday night."

The combination of his athletic abilities and academic dedication resulted in a nomination to the final level of the Lowe's Senior CLASS Award, a level to which only nine other senior baseball players in Division I have reached. Fans of Bison athletics can vote for Buursma at www.seniorclassaward.com until June 2nd.

In the award's second year of existence, the Bison and the Oklahoma Sooners are the only two

schools to produce finalists in both years (Ryan Gryskevich '07 was a finalist last year). With the award commemorative of on- and off-the-field accomplishments, Buursma's finalist position is a testament to University's student-athletes.

"The coaches are understanding and realize that academics come first," Buursma said. "I've never had any issues; they realize we are student-athletes."

With aspirations of playing major league ball, Buursma is excited for the annual amateur players' draft that takes place in early June. With a strong likelihood of not only being drafted again, but in a much higher round now that he will have completed his college career, Buursma has the minor league system to which to look forward.

Cultivated by very supportive parents and several coaches over the years, Buursma's potential is certainly sky-high in the coming years.

"My dad would always practice with me even though he wasn't very big into athletics," Buursma said. "He learned the game and gave coaching tips whenever he could. My parents have always been extremely supportive."

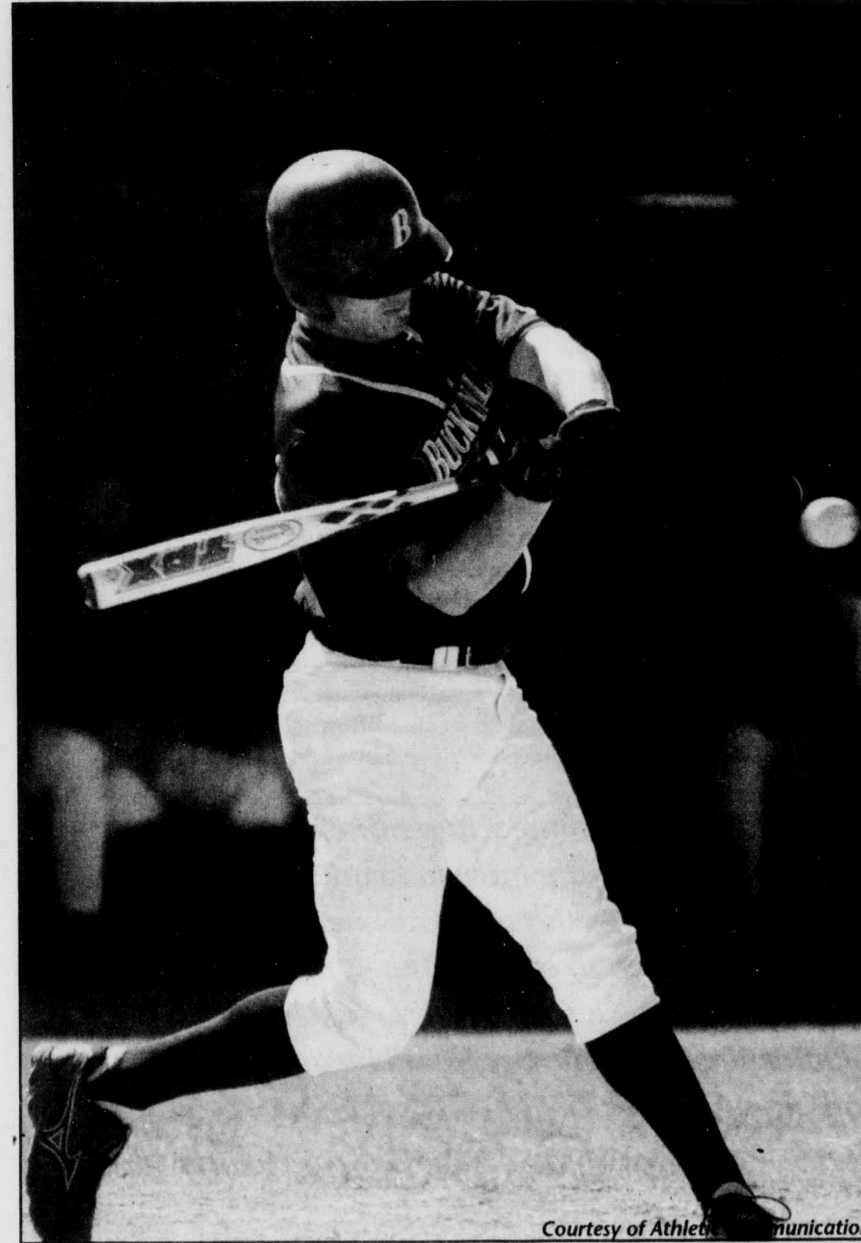
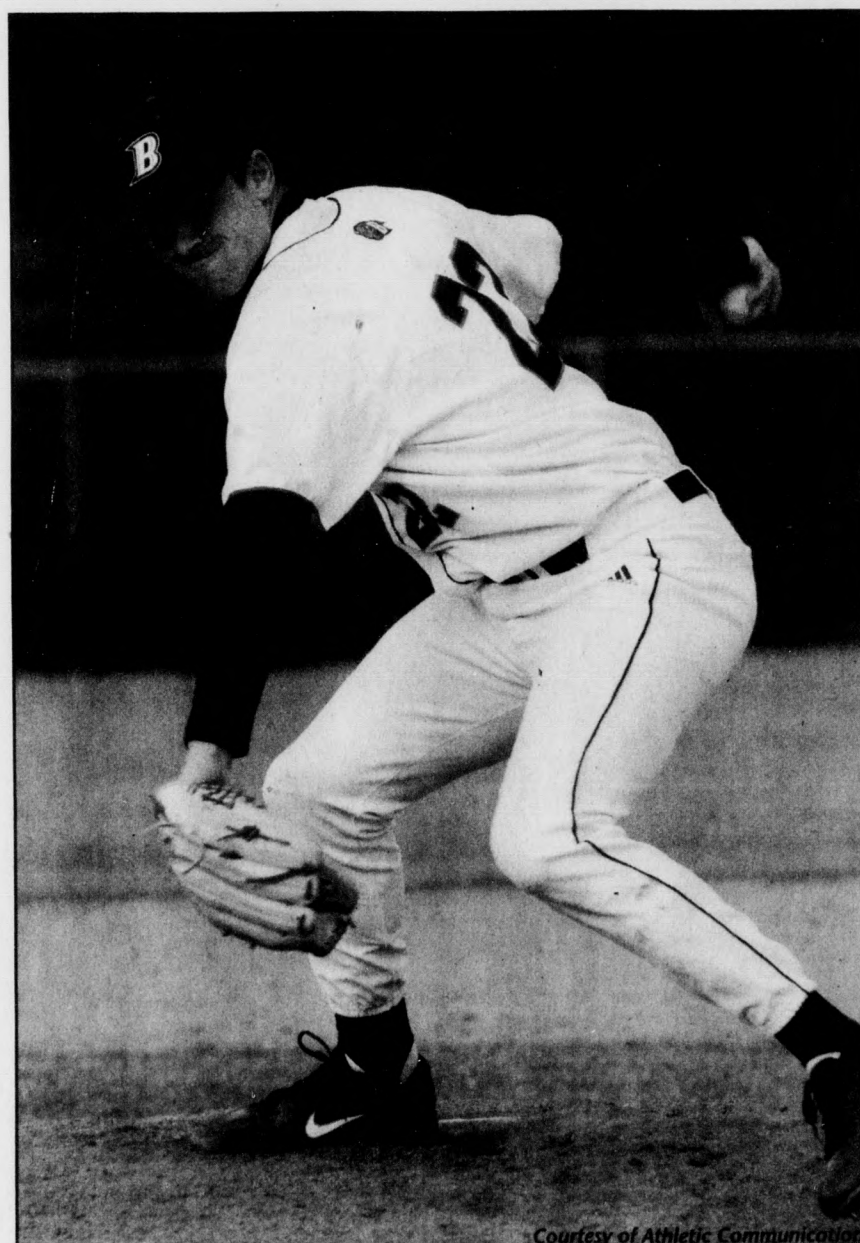
On Coach Gene Depew, Buursma liked how he was not an "in-your-face" type coach.

"He gives us freedom to develop as players, but will step in to ensure the right things are being done," Buursma said.

With graduation in the immediate future, Buursma will certainly miss the feel and comfort of the University.

"I wish I could do it all over again," Buursma said.

****Writer's Note: All statistics are through 4/23/08.

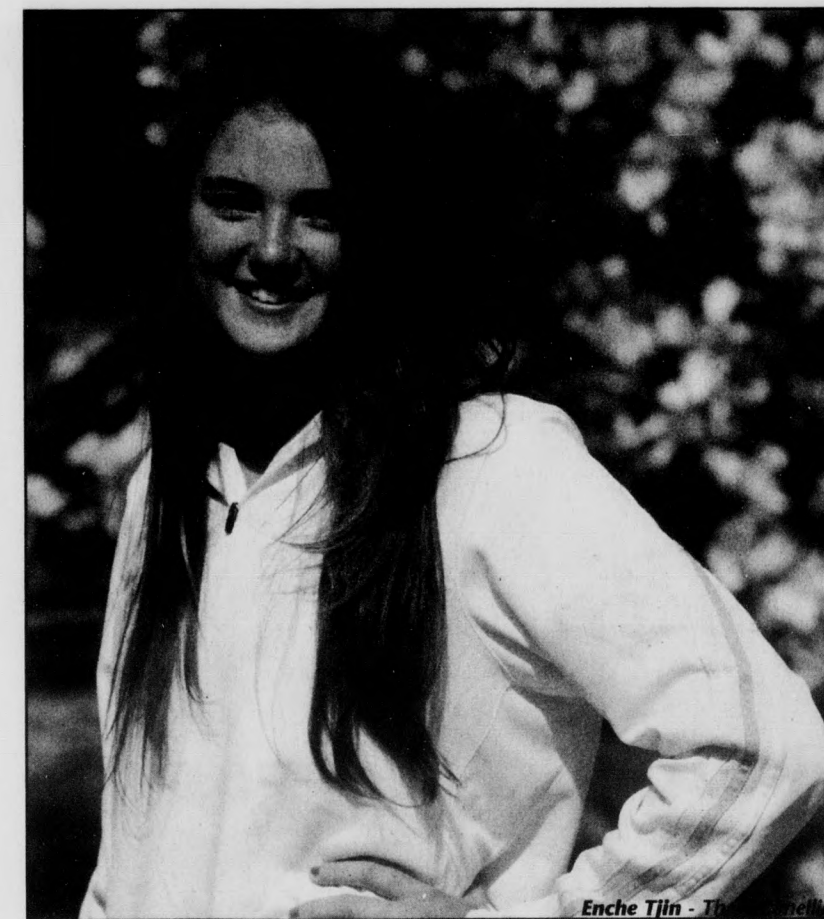


"Carol is a selfless player. She works hard every single day and always wants to get better."

Caline McHenry
Head Coach

SCORING MACHINE

Carol Donohue '10



By Kyle Barndollar
Sports Editor

If you ask Carol Donohue '10 about her 2008 records, she'll tell you that she was 6-8 this year. She'll tell you that she was 1-5 in Patriot League games in 2008. What she won't tell you is that she set the school record for both total points and total assists in 2008 and put together the greatest season in the history of the program.

Donohue led the University women's lacrosse team with 71 points this season, nine better than the previous record set by Sue Gray's 1984. Of the 71 points, 36 were assists, nine more than Meredith Wright's record 27 in 2003.

"Carol is a selfless player," Head Coach Caline McHenry said about the sophomore attacker. "She works hard every single day and always wants to get better."

Donohue was given slightly different role in the Bison offense this season. After a breakout rookie season in which Donohue finished second on the team in scoring, new head coach Caline McHenry elected to move Donohue behind the net on offense in 2008, allowing her to control the ball more often and work out of a more balanced and settled offensive set than in the previous year.

The move paid off for the Bison, as Donohue scored three or more points in all but two games on the year on her way to second team All Patriot League honors.

"Last year I started strong, and coming into this season I really wanted to work on my consistency," Donohue said.

It didn't take long for Donohue to start racking up the points, scoring a total of 17 points in just the first three games of the year. But her most impressive performance of the season came on April 15, when Donohue overwhelmed the Wagner defense on her way to an record setting thirteen-point game.

Donohue scored 11 points in the first half alone against Wagner, registering either a goal or an assist on each of the first ten scores of the game for the Bison. By the time the day was done, the sophomore attacker had registered five goals and eight assists, leading the Orange and Blue to a 19-11 victory.

The 13-point total was the highest point total in the NCAA this sea-

son and the ninth highest in history. Donohue's eight assists set a University record and were the most helpers in an NCAA game since 1999.

But ask Donohue her favorite moment of the season and she will give no mention to her record setting game, but instead will point to the best win in the history of Bison Women's Lacrosse.

"The biggest accomplishment of this season was definitely beating Ohio State," Donohue said. "They didn't even play any warm up music for us, they just had the band booing us and it really pumped us up."

The win over then No. 22 Ohio State was the first win over a ranked opponent for any Bison team in program history.

Despite falling behind 11-3 two-thirds of the way through the first half, the Bison fought their way back to a 15-15 tie with just over 10 minutes to play. After two more goals from OSU, Donohue would assist teammate Alison Hefferman '10 to start a 3-0 run that ended the game and gave the Bison an 18-17 win in Columbus.

"I've never seen a team come out of the locker room [at halftime] with so much energy," McHenry said. "This was a total team effort, from the starters to the players cheering on the sidelines. It was just an incredible effort."

Donohue led the Bison in points that day, netting three goals and dishing out four assists for a total of seven points. Five of her points came in the second half, leading her team to its improbable comeback win over the Buckeyes.

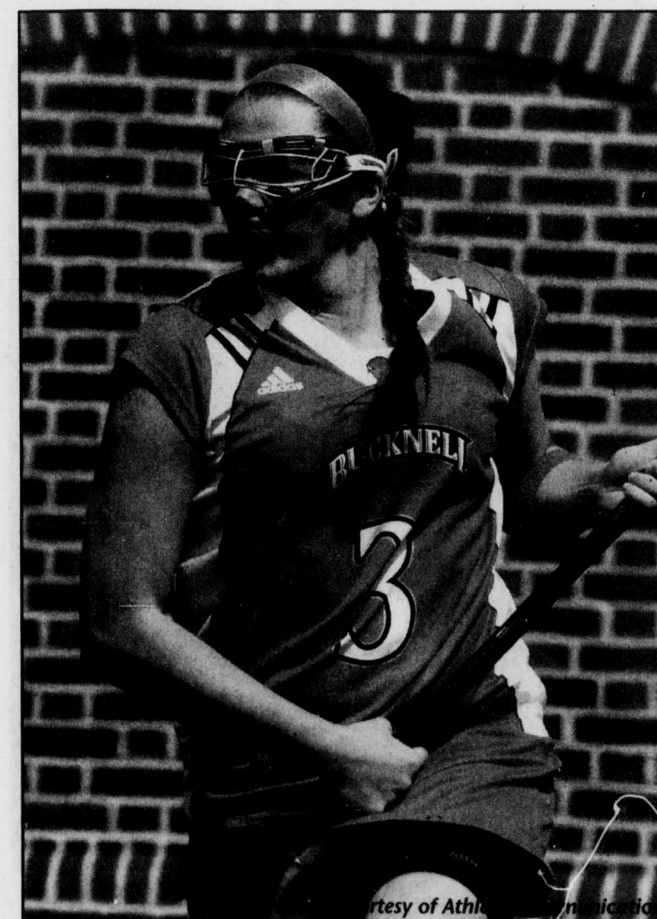
The only thing marring Donohue's extraordinary season in her own eyes is the fact that her team failed to qualify for the Patriot League tournament, but that is a goal Donohue pledges to try her hardest to achieve next year through practice and building team chemistry.

"Although Carol is only a sophomore, I think she's someone her teammates look to on and off the field," McHenry said. "She is always looking to help her teammates in a positive manner, pulling them aside and giving them suggestions on how they can try to do things better."

Donohue's winning attitude and on field achievements helped lead the Bison offense to its most productive season ever. The team averaged a program record 12.8 goals a game.

The future looks bright for Donohue and the Bison. The Orange and Blue will return their top eight leading scorers from last year, and lose only one senior starter.

As for Donohue, with two seasons ahead of her and already climbing the ranks in the record books, it is not out of the question that she could graduate holding nearly all of the University's all-time scoring records.



PAINLESS MEMORIES

FLANNERY from C1

the Orange and Blue, the 12-19 record the worst of Flannery's 19-year head coaching career, the last 14 with the Bison. This year's struggles followed three consecutive 20-win seasons, two Patriot League regular-season titles (2006, 2007), two conference tournament titles (2005, 2006) and two NCAA Tournament victories. However, this season was plagued by obstacles that were not issues during the unprecedented run of success.

"First Darren [Mastropolo '08] went down. We lost our leader, along with John [Griffin '08], our center, our glue," Flannery said. "We lost 1,000-point scorers [three over the last two years], then had so many other injuries. As soon as Darren came back, Josh [Linthicum '09] went down. Rob [Thomas '08] missed time. Jason [Vegotsky '09], a starter last year, missed time. We still gave it all we had though."

Flannery then pointed out the many positives he took from this season, some that those outside the program may not be immediately consider.

"We were close in so many games [that we lost] and won a lot of close games," he said. There were a lot of positives. Josh Linthicum made all-tournament team in the tournament we played in California, right before he got hurt. He dominated and it is sad that more people didn't get to see it. Darren came back from a torn ACL so quickly and gave everything he had. John and Stephen [Tyree '09] started all 31 games. Look at Stephen's numbers from the year. How many people in the country shot 58 percent, led his team in offensive and defensive

rebounding, led in assist to turnover ratio?" Flannery repeated what he had said on Friday, that he leaves with "painless memories and no regrets," a saying he learned from former Bison standout Abe Badmus '07.

"It is time for me to be an alum again," Flannery said.

For those that wonder if Flannery can really keep away from the sidelines of the Orange and Blue, while still working for the University, he immediately shot the motion down.

"I'll never coach here again," he said. "Not even a possibility in any way, shape or form that I'll get in anyone's way. I'll have my hands full with my own endeavors."

He continued, "I will be the biggest fan though. I won't be out in front, not anywhere I can have an affect on anything. But my heart bleeds with everything that goes on, for all of our athletic programs." Flannery would also like to see his staff remain, though he knows that decision ultimately does not rest with him.

"I will definitely make sure they have as many opportunities as they can and use the contacts I have to help [should they not remain at the University]," he said.

His excitement for his new position is evident, and Flannery knows he can make an impact. "It's about relationships and friendships," he said. "That's not corny—that's the cornerstone of what we do. I'm going to put the energy into this that I put into everything else."

While time with his family will be Flannery's number one priority, he will still be on the move. Just with a little more calm.

"Coach Flannery took the Bison basketball program to new and unprecedented heights as its mentor over the past fourteen years. A dedicated and extremely loyal alum, his leadership and coaching knowledge led to victories on the hardwood, while his love and admiration for the University helped strengthen the Bucknell network."

— John Hardt, Director Athletics & Recreations

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"Coach had so much experience and knowledge. It's definitely a hit to the program. I wouldn't want anyone else coaching me."

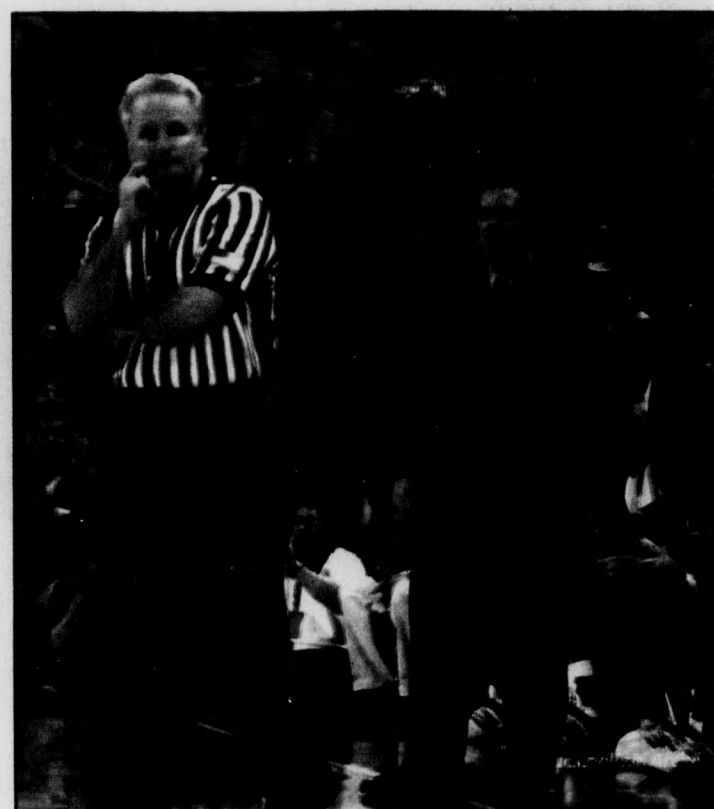
— Darren Mastropolo '08

"It came as a shock to everyone, but as happy, too"

— G.W. Boon '11



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Take the road less traveled

By Sara Roth
Features Editor

Road trips, like apple pie and baseball, are iconically American. Whether you want to take Route 1 from Maine to Florida, travel the Western frontier or to simply explore your home state, a road trip will surely be fun, exciting and full of unexpected experiences. So pack wisely, pile your best friends into the most reliable car, crank the tunes and start driving. Like life, road trips are not about the destination—it's the journey you will remember the most.

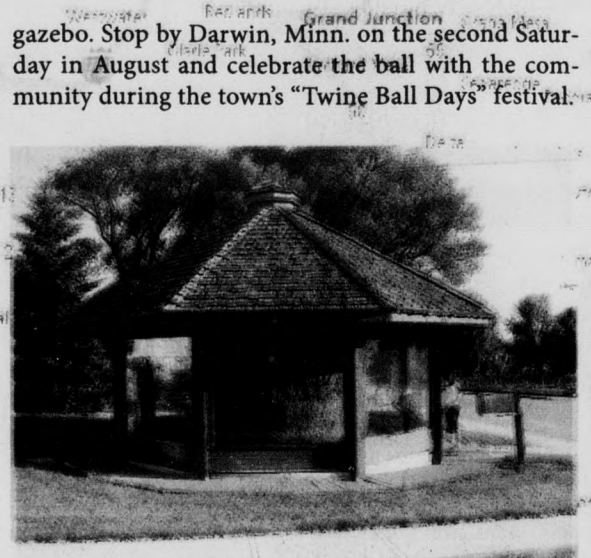
With that being said, it's always nice to have a destination in mind. Traditional destinations are sure to be fun (the beach, the mountains, big national parks), but traveling to lesser known areas or landmarks can lead to a more unique trip. You can also hit these spots on the way to your final stop.

Luray Caverns, Luray, Va.
If you want to head underground on your road trip, take a detour to Luray Caverns in Luray, Va. These caves, discovered in 1878, are made of limestone. The Caverns are full of large stalactites and stalagmites—even rocks that resemble fried eggs and pipe organs. This geologic oddity is a National Natural Landmark and attracts 500,000 visitors every year.



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World's Largest Ball of Twine, Darwin, Minn.
If you're traveling west, why not stop and see this 17,400-pound ball of twine? Started in 1950 by Francis A. Johnson, it is 12 feet in diameter. Johnson wrapped the twine for four hours a day, every day. After he died, the town moved the ball into a special



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Roswell, N.M.
If you're driving through the Southwest, hit up this town of about 50,000 in New Mexico. Home of the infamous 1947 UFO incident, Roswell attracts outer space aficionados from across the country looking to connect with an element of the extra-terrestrial. Whether you think a spaceship crashed in Roswell's fields or that it was a military mission, you're bound to have fun in this town. Check out the UFO Festival from July 3-6, where over 50 events take place in downtown Roswell.



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Georgia Aquarium, Atlanta, Ga.
Travel to the Georgia Aquarium in Atlanta, Ga. and feel like you're swimming with the sharks. This

aquarium is the world's largest, with over eight million gallons of fresh and salt water. It houses some notable marine species such as whale sharks and beluga whales. There are over 100,000 specimens at the Georgia Aquarium, and there is a walk-through glass tunnel that makes you feel like you are at the bottom of the ocean floor.



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Cody Nite Rodeo, Cody, Wyo.
A great American road trip would not be complete without visiting a rodeo. Travel to beautiful Cody, Wyo. to see the longest running rodeo in the United States. Cody hosts a rodeo every night during the summer, and this town lives and breathes rodeo. In addition to bull riding, the Cody rodeos showcase calf roping, team roping and cowgirls barrel racing. You'll also get to see rodeo clowns hamming it up. So throw on your chaps and your 10-gallon hat and explore the great American frontier.



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Planning and packing

By Rina Van Orden
Features Editor

If you're planning a road trip, there are a few things you must remember.

Always bring friends with you, but make sure you won't bite each other's heads off—you'll be in close quarters. You can keep each other company, take turns driving and help navigate from the passenger seat.

Bring a good camera and take lots of pictures. Make sure to take pictures of not only the scenery, but you and your travel mates together.

Buy a map or road atlas that gives you a general sense of the entire country, as well as a map focused directly on the area you plan on traveling.

Consider buying a guidebook for the cities or states you're going to, so you know what activities to do, restaurants to eat at, and tourist traps to take cheesy pictures at. If you have any friends, acquaintances or distant cousins, hit them up for a place to stay. Just make sure to leave a thank-you card.

When you're clothes packing, make sure you have one nice outfit and a bathing suit. You don't know when you'll

have to crash a wedding or jump in a river.

Pack a cooler with ice and a few drinks for each person. Take your favorite easy-to-eat junk food to enjoy on the road, but consider packing some healthy snacks as well so you don't overdo it on the fat and sugar. Pack some energy bars for emergency calories. Be sure to restock when you make a pit stop at a gas station.

When you get to a destination, make sure to try the local cuisine. You didn't drive all the way to a new place to have the same meal you always get at Olive Garden or the number 5 at Wendy's.

Make a few road trip music mixes before you go. Consider making one with liquid, upbeat music to keep you revved up and awake, and another to relax you in stressful driving conditions.

Keep an eye on your gas gauge and try to never let it get below a quarter of a tank. On some roads and even highways, you never know when you might reach the next gas station, and you don't want to get stuck in the middle of nowhere.

You'll need a flashlight and flares so, if you have to pull over or find stuff in the dark,

you'll be able to easily. Have a gallon of water available in case your car overheats on a long drive through the desert. You can pour the water into your radiator to help your engine cool (don't pour it over the engine). Keep blankets and pillows handy in case you get stuck and it's cold, or you're forced to sleep in your car.

Have a credit card and \$50 in cash in your wallet in case of an emergency. Only spend this money if absolutely necessary; you don't want to have to cut your trip short because you ran out of money. Keep other cash on hand for minor expenses.

Lastly, don't be afraid to deviate from your original plans—you never know what amazing discoveries you might make in unexpected side trips. Go with the flow and be spontaneous. The best stops aren't the ones that you planned.

Sara Roth contributed to this article

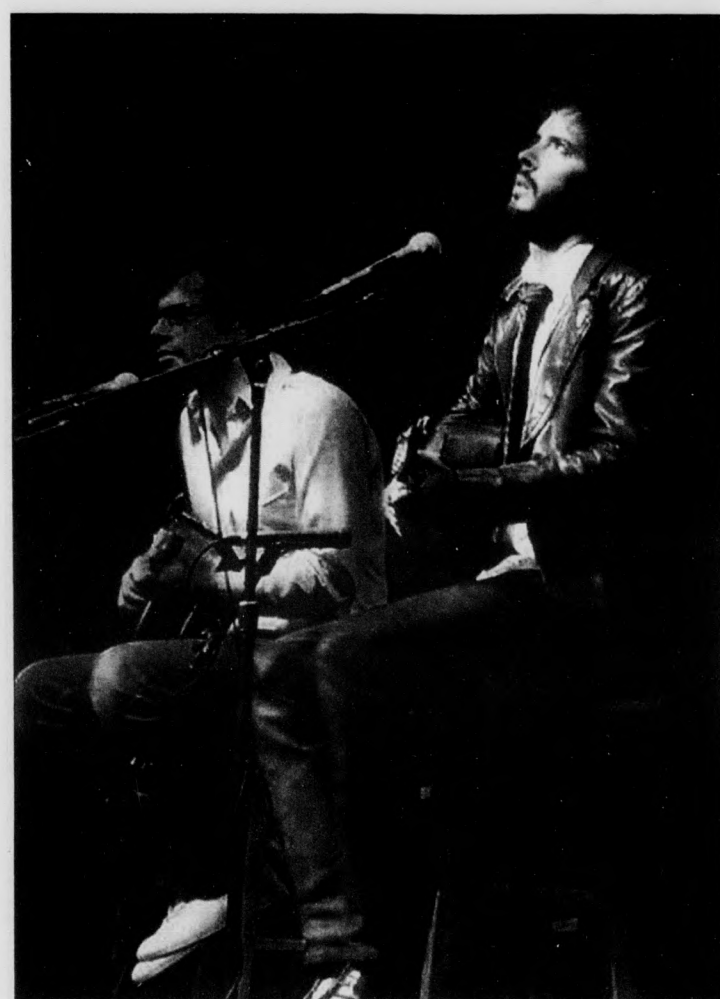
Start working on your perfect road trip mix

Here's a list of 25 songs to get you on your way and keep you going wherever your travels may take you and whatever your taste in music.

- Life is a Highway – Rascal Flatts
- Hotel California – The Eagles
- Since U Been Gone – Kelly Clarkson
- Son's Gonna Ride – Citizen Cope
- Love is the Only Way – Robert Randolph and the Family Band
- Take On Me – Ah-ha
- Behind Closed Doors – Rise Against
- Next Movement – The Roots
- You're So Damn Hot – OK Go
- Here I Go Again – Whitesnake
- Sweet Escape – Gwen Stefani
- Sugar We're Goin Down – Fall Out Boy
- Save a Horse – Big & Rich
- Amber – 311
- My Favorite Scar – The Vanished
- Stricken – Disturbed
- Tainted Love – Depeche Mode
- The Ballad of John and Yoko – The Beatles
- Ridin' Dirty – Chamillionaire
- The Joker – Steve Miller Band
- Magic Carpet Ride – Steppenwolf
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- Pink Moon – Nick Drake
- Ramblin' Man – The Allman Brothers
- Route 66 – Nat King Cole

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New Zealand comedy band releases debut album



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Bret McKenzie and Jemaine Clement make up the Flight of the Conchords duo. They star in a popular stand-up show on HBO.

Flight of the Conchords move from TV and radio to studio recording

Richard Thornburgh
Staff Writer

The self-proclaimed fourth most popular guitar-based digi-bongo-cappella-rap-funk-comedy folk duo from New Zealand has just released their first complete studio album.

The Flight of the Conchords consist of Bret McKenzie and Jemaine Clement. The release of "Flight of the Conchords" marks a new era for the comedy band, as it has conquered TV and radio, but not yet studio albums.

After having a popular yet low-rated show on HBO, as well as a hilarious stand-up routine incorporating songs from their show into a live skit, they've decided to turn a different route. This new CD includes most of the songs featured on the show but also others previously unheard.

The humor of this band is

portrayed well on the album, as well as their musical talent.

The first song on the album, "Foux du Fafa," puts the band in a particularly awkward position by saying common words in the French language such as baguette and soup du jour to French girls they are trying to win over. The song has soft guitar and percussion quite soothing to listen to over and over again.

"Inner City Pressure" follows up as the second song, bringing 1980s-style beats together with the duo making remarks about "considering secondhand underpants."

"Think About It" may be one of my favorite songs on the record because of the simple beat coupled with absolutely hilarious lyrics. "Ladies of the World," "Muthauckers" and "The Prince of Parties" are the next set of songs.

The second half of the album starts with "Leggy Blonde," a soft but efficient song. This ballad tells the story of a blonde Bret will never see again in his office because she is leaving for another job.

"Robots" brings robotic sounds to the album and is about the takeover of the world,

proclaiming "The humans are dead."

Bret's lyrical talent shines the most on the album with "Boom," which is the Conchords' take on a rap song.

Rounding out the end of the album are some of their more popular songs that have already been performed on the show and streamed over the internet. "The Most Beautiful Girl (in the Room)," "Business Time" and "Bowie" complement the previous songs on the record.

"Beautiful Girl" is about Jemaine a girl at a party that he proclaims to be the best looking girl (in the room). He questions how she even came to the party, seeing that the host, Dave, is somewhat of an outcast. The chase of the girl is what the song describes in hilarious fashion, claiming eventually she could even "be a part time model."

"Business Time" is about Jemaine and his girlfriend having completely different views and ideas about sex, saying she whispers "something sexy like, I might go to bed, I've got work in the morning." The first time I heard this song it intrigued me because of how funny it was, but musically it is also one of the

best on this album.

The last song, "Bowie," is a song actually sounds like a David Bowie song, and the duo pretend they're talking to Bowie himself. It is an upbeat song, clearly an ode to Bowie and is a great song to end the album.

After having a popular yet low-rated show on HBO, as well as a hilarious stand-up routine that incorporates songs from their show into a live skit, they've decided to turn a different route.

I would say I could listen to this album straight through a couple of times because of the great sounds the Conchords bring to the table, and also because of the humor around every corner and note.

If you're a fan of the show on HBO, or if you've never even heard of this comedy group, I would suggest getting this album. I can guarantee that during at least one of these songs you will break out in laughter, as well as appreciate their musical talent.

Kappa Sigma hosts Battle of the Bands at Uptown

Student bands entertain with pop, rock and alternative mix

Blair Mathias
Contributing Writer

The recently revived Kappa Sigma fraternity hosted a Battle of the Bands Saturday night. The evening aroused the interest of many students craving rock music. The bands performed at Uptown, making for an intimate venue.

Walking into Uptown was reminiscent of a more urban concert venue; the lights were off, and the music was loud. Multi-colored lights flashed, and students were yelling out for student performers to get onstage.

Up first was a University favorite Infernal Duo, whose performance set the mood—and the standard—for the bands to come. The band has played together for three years and, sadly, this was its last performance.

Chris Moreau '08, front-singer and guitarist, stripped

down to a pair of blue and white starred spandex shorts. Infernal Duo was exciting, and the crowd loved them. All the guitar-work was tight, the drum and bass were right in line. The band-mates played original songs, inspiring enthusiastic responses from concert-goers. These included the wittily titled "Hair Today, Gone Tomorrow," a song unsurprisingly narrating going bald, which was hilarious and well-rehearsed.

It was apparent the band plays together often and knows the instruments inside and out. Before breaking into a hilarious song about University Public Safety, underage drinkers and public urination, Moreau insisted this would be the band's last time playing together but "it has been a pleasure playing together for three years, and Campus Police rock!"

Second on-stage was another University band with some history—Gnarwhal. Gnarwhal plays an outrageous mix between 80s rock and hard metal, rocking like AC/DC. Unlike Infernal Duo, Gnarwhal covered popular hits, and Gnarwhal's lead singer ignited the show by

screaming out "Are you guys ready to rock?!" Everybody was

Gnarwhal brought their music loud and hard. There were great guitar riffs and head banging in the crowd. Favorites from the set list included Scorpions' "Rock You Like a Hurricane," Guns N' Roses' "Sweet Child O' Mine," and Journey's "Don't Stop Believing." The band had enthusiasm, great musicians and every student's attention in Uptown.

Up next: The Annexation of Puerto Rico. This band had a different, refreshing set-up than the first two with a female front-singer and keyboard. Annexation opened with the theme song from the popular TV comedy "The Office," bringing back the crowd's attention to the stage.

The band played more like a modern pop-rock band, with alternative sound and catchy songs heard over hit radio stations. The mood of the band was happy and light, and members were determined to play their best—they did.

Annexation was a needed contrast to Gnarwhal, giving Battle of the Bands a new flavor. Blur's "Song #2" was well-re-

hearsed, and the band also performed "Nine in the Afternoon" by Panic! At the Disco and Maroon 5's "Won't Go Home Without You."

Annexation reminded the young crowd of their location on the University campus by playing college student favorites "Wonderwall" by Oasis and "Livin' on a Prayer" by Bon Jovi—undoubtedly the band's

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Patrick O'Connor '10

best covers of the night.

Drug Party was the fourth band to play, and despite technical difficulties, was perhaps the most talented group of musicians at Battle of the Bands. With a bass, soundboard, drums, guitar and violin, the band proved skilled and original.

The set list was short for Drug Party but haunting, beautiful

covers of alternative rock bands Arcade Fire and Alice in Chains scored yells from the crowd. The band's sound is perfectly overwhelming, and the musicians appeared comfortable and exhilarated on stage. Drug Party was a much needed break from popular favorites, and the crowd certainly wanted more.

Up next was Triangular Momentum (Tri-Mo), a band with grunge sound, heavy drums and powerful guitar. Tri-Mo was a necessary addition to Battle of the Bands—to any battle of bands for that matter. The band started late, and a new crowd of concert-goers arrived for the show. Students were dancing around to a Blink-182 cover, and the band proved it was ready to rock.

Tri-Mo played with a more uniquely modern sound reminiscent of pseudo-punk gaining popularity the last 10 years. Tri-Mo knew how to play and work the crowd with hard hitting guitar, but the drum work was by far the most impressive.

Finally came the sixth band, Dreams of Throwing a Bishop, which showed no signs of trouble about being the last band on

stage. Tri-Mo's drummer played for Dreams as well, which all but made the band invincible.

A harmonica, and later keyboard, added to the usual guitar-bass-drum set-up and certainly helped the crowd remember why they stayed until the end. Dreams of Throwing a Bishop melted realms of punk, classic and modern rock music with Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven" to the more recent Augustana's "Boston." The MC for the evening, Kappa Sigma brother Patrick O'Connor '10, praised Dreams for kicking it up a notch at the end of the night.

When asked how Kappa Sigma enjoyed hosting Battle of the Bands, Patrick O'Connor commented, "I had a lot of fun. Kappa Sigma will continue to host the Battle of the Bands in the future for sure. I had no idea there would be so many different kinds of music. Every band played great songs that I listen to all the time and we hope to host the Battle again."

The top three winners of the Battle of the Bands at Uptown were Infernal Duo, Dreams of Throwing a Bishop and Gnarwhal.

Student reflects on studying in Rome



By Scott Gossnell
Contributing Writer

It is 8 a.m. and the bells are ringing; the bells are always ringing in this city. They ring from the seven low summits and from the shallow valleys in between. They ring existentially, calling the faithful, counting the time, and otherwise reminding you of your own mortality.

I live in a convent on the Aventine Hill in Rome. There are crosses on the walls, and nuns abound. Some of the other students think it's "creepy" and "weird" because they've grown up in a culture where religion is a sterilized thing, slightly taboo and confined to starched outfits and Sunday mornings. But in Rome it's part of the landscape, both figuratively and literally.

After a light breakfast of bread, jam and tea, I step out onto the Clivo dei Publicii. It's the oldest paved road in Rome and for a city measuring time on a near-geologic scale, that's saying something. It is half past 8 now, as I head to the bus stop. A few of my classes have on-site lectures once a week, and today my art history class is meeting at the early Christian catacombs of Santa Priscilla on the outskirts of the ancient part of the city.

The walk to the bus stop is a study in paradox. The early sun illuminates the massive ancient structures that have persisted: triumphs of ingenuity and ancient technology. In the shade provided by these columns and porticoes, businessmen check their BlackBerries, buses wind their way down roads predating the internal combustion engine by thousands of years, and the modern structures stand in mimetic jealousy, I swell with pride at the achievements of the human race, eager for the future and all the imminent innovation. What will the human mind conquer next?

I exit the catacombs, and the mid-day sunlight is exhilarating because life is good. I have the afternoon free and a whole city in front of me. Rome. Roma è la città di Dio. Rome is the City of God. And it's true: Mind, body and soul, the entire city seems to speak to the existence of a higher intelligence. I walk the streets, passing be-frocked priests and be-habited nuns, the most magnificent

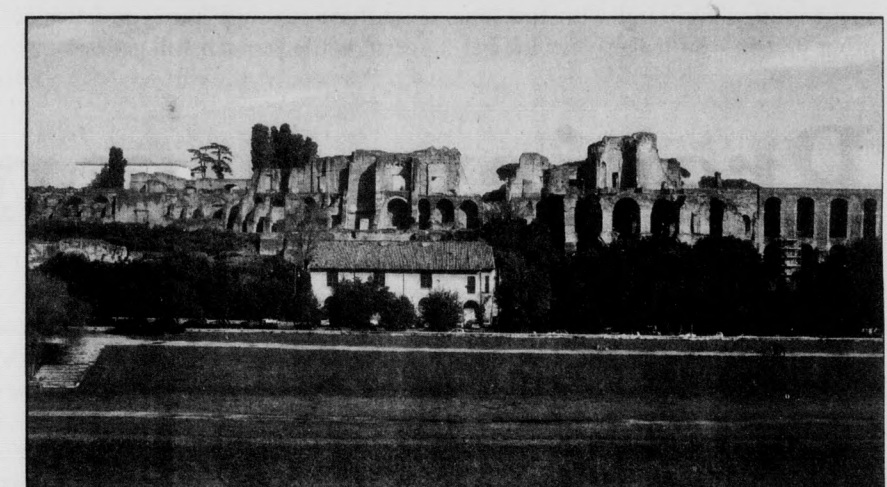
architecture surely divinely inspired, and the women—the Italian women: proof enough that God loves us and wants us to be happy.

I head back to the convent for lunch. It's always pasta, salad, rolls and a side of meat, every day. And it's the most delectable bit of banality I've ever known. We're served generously, and I'm reminded that "the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out unto you." My taste buds dance in ways they've never known, and I'm left wondering why fate granted some cultures such culinary extraordinariness, while others are left wanting.

It's 3 p.m. now, and I decide to spend the rest of the afternoon in the city center. The walk is short, and I'm soon settled in at a street-side table of one of the many Roman cafés.

I've brought a book, and I resolve to pass the next couple of hours reading, people-watching and sampling the vini rossi. After a couple of glasses, I invent a game: "Spot the American Student." Rome is filled with them, and I'm soon underway. I decide to limit it to females, because they're easier to spot and easier on the eyes: five points for North Face fleeces, ten if they're pastel colored. Uggs are 12 points; tights are 15. Bonus points if she's wearing a thigh-length blouse over tights with an oversized belt.

Hundreds of points and a couple more glasses of wine later, the evening begins to settle on the city. I decide to head back to the convent. I pay the bill, wincing at the awful dollar-to-euro exchange rate, and head out. Soon I'm passing the same ancient ruins I walked by this morning, but they look different now. Perhaps it's the waning sunlight, or this morning's trip to the underworld, or the wine or a combination of all three, but I'm struck with a



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From top to bottom: 1. The remains of the columns of the Temple of Castor and Pollux, with the rest of the Roman Forum beyond. 2. The pantheon, originally built by Hadrian in honor of Agrippa. Once reserved for worshipping the Roman gods, the building was later converted to a church. 3. The Roman emperors' palace sits on the Palatine Hill, one of the seven hills of Rome.

thick sense of melancholy at the sight of these ruins. The most powerful empire the world had ever seen is reduced now, to postcards and tourist attractions; the folly of man distilled and commercialized. From dust it came and, truly, to dust

it has returned. But was it imminent? Will it happen again? How? When? These questions rake me with subtle and ponderous anxiety, but the bells are ringing now, and it's time to go home.

Student makes time for horsing around

By Connie Barko
Senior Writer



Photo courtesy of Sarah Schubert

Sarah Schubert '10 will be competing at the 2008 Intercollegiate Horse Show Association National Championship Show. She is the first member of the University's equestrian team to qualify for the prestigious event in three years.

Nationals will be held May 8 through May 11 at the Los Angeles Equestrian Center in Burbank, Calif., when Schubert will compete in the Novice Equitation on the Flat.

Schubert, who has been riding horses for 16 years, qualified to attend the Regional IHSA show two weeks ago where she won her class and qualified to attend the IHSA Zone horse show April 13. There, she was reserve champion in her class, qualifying her for IHSA Nationals.

"I was very surprised," Schubert said. "I've got a lot to worry about with classes and everything else before I go to California, so I'm not nervous just yet. I'm really just looking forward to the trip and the experience of competing against some of the best collegiate riders in the country."

Schubert began riding horses at 4 years old when she got her own pony. Currently, her family owns two horses. "My horse's name is Golden Opportunity, but we call him Socks

around the barn, and my mother's horse is named Rosie O'Grady," she said.

Schubert said she has competed in countless horse shows, but is also active on campus. She serves as the editor-in-chief of "The Counterweight," community service chair for Kappa Alpha Theta sorority, and student researcher for the chemistry department.

Riding allows her to take a break from her demanding schedule and have fun with teammates, she said.

"I like riding on the Bucknell team because of the camaraderie and the fun we have together," Schubert said.

Teammates are supportive of Schubert's success, and say she helped the team as a whole score well.

"She did really well at our regular season shows," said Becca Dillon '08. "She was first place in all of them and at least two of those she was a point rider, which contributed to our overall team placing."

"I know this semester started out a little rough for her because she is probably the most involved person I know on campus," Kelly Henker '09 said. "But her riding has improved even further this semester and she outperformed her competitors at Zones in a very tough class to earn her spot."

Susan Misur contributed to this article.

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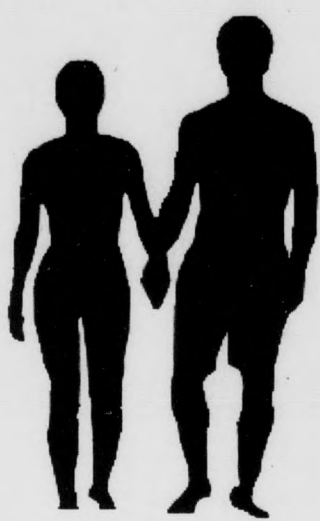
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Sunny songs for any occasion

By Brianna DelValle
Editor-in-Chief

During the school year, the only music I ever seem to listen to is the rotations of songs at registers and the occasional Michael Bolton ("How Can We Be Lovers," to be specific) that the sports editors play weekly in the newsroom.

The summer, however, is the season in which everything I do is accompanied by music—every sunburn, fling, misadventure, road trip or boring night. Here is a list of songs that should fit in with many summer experiences.



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Summer Love

Whether you're actively searching out the hottest people on the beach, someone just happens to walk into your life or you're just looking to have a fling, many of us will end up having some sort of significant (or insignificant) other during the summer.

The Cure — Lovesong: A classic song that is reminiscent of long evenings spent lounging around with that one other person who makes your life bet-

ter. Jack Johnson — Belle: Maybe in your travels over the summer you'll meet someone who doesn't speak the same language, but you can communicate "Some other way."

Bob Dylan — It Ain't Me, Babe: Maybe you're looking for fun and your fling isn't getting the picture.

Phantom Planet — Always on My Mind: For those of you that will pine for someone that gives you a funny feeling in your stomach and doesn't even know you exist.



Wild Side

Three months without school, without the seriousness of schoolwork and obligations, provide the perfect opportunity to let your rebellious side out.

The Doors — Any Song: Jim Morrison. Enough said.

The Grateful Dead — Sugar Magnolia: "Sweet blossom, come on. Under the willow, we can have high times if you'll abide. We can discover the wonders of nature, rolling in the rushes down by the riverside." Get in touch with your inner hippie.

Spoon — The Way We Get By: Go out, have fun and "rarely practice discern" while you can still get away with

it.

Iggy Pop — Lust for Life: The Godfather of Punk knows how to let loose.

Sunset Watching

The sun setting on a lazy summer day is so perfect, only music can complement it. If you're fortunate to have an iPod or other music source handy, these songs can do the job.



Joseph Arthur — Honey and the Moon: Arthur's slightly raspy voice can be grating in some songs, but this one is so soothing that it exudes a feeling of

warmth and relaxation.

Incubus — Aqueous

Transmission: The ultimate chilling out song, hands down. Even if you're stuck in a small, boring town (like I am for the majority of my summers), you'll feel like you're floating down the Amazon with the wildlife serenading you to the sounds of string instruments and flutes.

Athlete — I Love: This is a feel-good song that makes you (at least want to) love everyone around you and gives an overwhelming sense of contentment. Saves the Day — She: A flowing acoustic song with a flowing, floating, drifting mood, a perfect way to wind down the day.

Off-key Sing Along

There's no better time than the summer to drive around with friends and belt out at the top of your lungs with no concern for vocal abilities.

Ludacris — What's Your Fantasy: Just a personal favorite.

Tom Petty — Free Falling: Petty makes me just want to roll around in a hot red convertible, hair blowing in the wind, and singing horribly with my friends.

Rupert Holmes — Escape (If you like Pina Colodas: A classic summer song that you can't help but sing along to and will make you want a chilled fruity drink.

Bobby McFarren — Don't Worry, Be Happy: Chill out to this song. It's the essence of summer.

Blues Traveler — Run Around: This song came out 14 years ago and its still fun to sing.

Journey — Don't Stop Believing: Everyone knows this song and if you're missing registers at the University, this can help you reminisce.

SOAK UP the summer

Save your skin by slathering on sunscreen

By Rina Van Orden
Features Editor

Sunscreen is an easy thing to overlook. You're not going to stay outside for long, right? And besides, you really want a tan, and you rarely get sunburned. But the truth is, every time our skin is exposed to sunlight, even for a few minutes at a time, it is penetrated by UV rays that can cause skin cancer.

If a few minutes a day can cause sun damage, imagine what five hours at the beach can do. So as summer days at the beach and outdoor activities call to us, it's essential we remember to slather on sunscreen. Whether it's sunny or overcast, we are exposed to UV rays every time we go outside. Everyday exposure counts—you don't have to be actively sunbathing to get a damaging dose of the sun. So while having a bronzed physique may make you feel better about your appearance, tanning can have very harmful repercussions.

According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, skin cancer is the most common form of cancer in the United States, with over 1 million skin cancers diagnosed each year. On top of that, sun exposure causes over 90 percent of all skin cancers. The three most common types of skin cancer are basal cell carcinoma, squamous cell carcinoma and malignant melanoma, according to the Skin Cancer Foundation. Basal cell and squamous cell are localized spots that can be damaging and disfiguring but do not commonly spread to other areas of the body, and comprise 90 percent of all skin cancers. Malignant melanoma is less common, but it is the most dangerous and

can be fatal if it's not treated early.

Sun exposure also damages collagen, helping to cause fine lines and wrinkles. Up to 90 percent of the visible changes in your skin attributed to aging are caused by the sun. These changes can be seen as early as your 20s.

All skin types can develop skin cancer, but some should be even more cautious than others. Fair-skinned individuals have less melanin pigment, the natural protective barrier absorbing UV rays, and therefore have considerably less natural defense, according to the Skin Cancer Foundation.

Consider jobs in which you spend prolonged periods in the sun (lifeguards, construction workers, etc.) because people in these professions are considered to be at a higher risk of developing skin cancer. Rare skin disorders can also predispose some people to skin cancer.

So how can you protect yourself? Try to avoid sun exposure when you can, particularly between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when UV rays cause the most damage. If you stay in shade as much as possible and wear wide-brimmed hats and sunscreen, you will greatly reduce your exposure.

UV radiation can be reflected by sand, water, snow and ice and can go through clouds, windows and windshields. The National Cancer Institute suggests wearing dark-colored long sleeves and

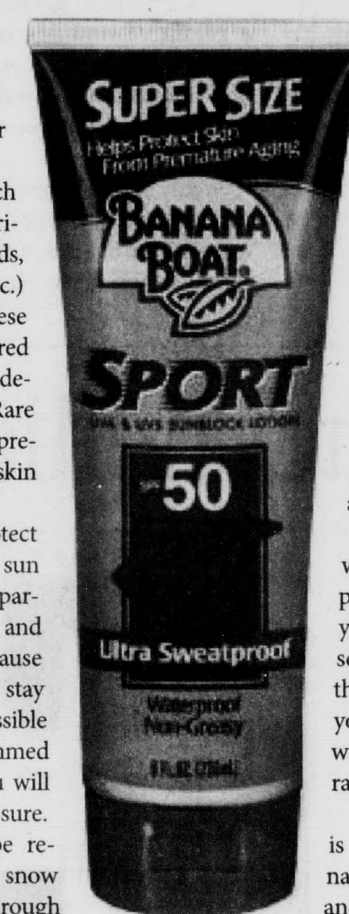
pants made with tightly-knit fabric. Keep in mind that although t-shirts and breathable outdoor wear are more comfortable than unwanted UV rays to reach the skin.

Anytime you venture into the sun, wear sunscreen—lots of it. The Skin Cancer Foundation suggests always wearing a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher whenever you leave the house.

It's also important to pick a broad spectrum sunscreen with titanium dioxide and zinc oxide. These sunscreens protect you from both UVA rays, usually associated with early aging and wrinkles, as well as skin cancer, and UVB rays, which cause sunburns and skin cancer. These broad spectrum lotions and sprays are also available PABA-free.

Apply sunscreen liberally to all exposed skin half an hour prior to sun exposure and re-apply every two hours, as well as after swimming or athletic activity. Be sure to protect your face well, covering easily forgotten places such as your ears, around your eyes, your lips and your scalp. Don't forget your feet either. Also remember to protect your eyes by wearing sunglasses with UV protection that block rays from all angles.

Early detection of skin cancer is essential. Perform self-examinations, look for suspicious spots, and have your doctor examine you at least once a year. Your doctor can also provide you with the latest information on skin cancer and treatments.



Preview summer's anticipated flicks

Action blockbusters, romantic comedies and lonely robots on the silver screen

By Tracy Lum
Staff Writer

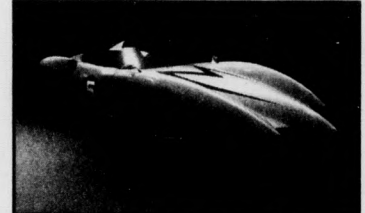
Spring is in the air, and Hollywood already has begun to heat up the box office with movies like "Smart People," "Street Kings," "21" and "Nim's Island." As the season's temperature steadily rises, there's nothing better than relaxing in a cool theater and taking in an entertaining film. Here's a sneak peak at movies hitting theaters soon.



"Made of Honor," directed by Paul Weiland, is a romantic comedy starring Patrick Dempsey and Michelle Monaghan. Patrick Dempsey plays Tom, a perpetual bachelor who realizes he is in love with his best friend, Hannah (Monaghan). Just as he is about to profess his love, however, Hannah reveals a secret of her own—she is getting married. As Hannah's best friend, Tom feels obligated to be her "maid of honor" (hence the movie's title) and must try to win her over. "Made of Honor" opens May 2.

"Iron Man" is the story of an industrialist named Tony Stark (Robert Downey Jr.) who builds an armored suit as a result of an acci-

dent and then decides to fight evil with it. It is based on a comic book. Internet Movie Database users who have seen an advanced screening seem to think it is a great film—full of action, adventure and a good plot. The film also stars Terrence Howard, Gwyneth Paltrow, Jeff Bridges and Hilary Swank. "Iron Man" also opens May 2.



"Speed Racer," an adaptation of the 1960s animated series, opens May 9. It stars Emile Hirsch as Speed Racer, a talented race car driver. His goal is to enter and win a rally called The Crucible, and he ends up facing his nemesis, Racer X (Matthew Fox), in the process. Throughout the film, Speed must find a way to uphold his racing-oriented family's reputation and combat corporate sponsorship. The film also stars Christina Ricci as Speed's girlfriend, Trixie.

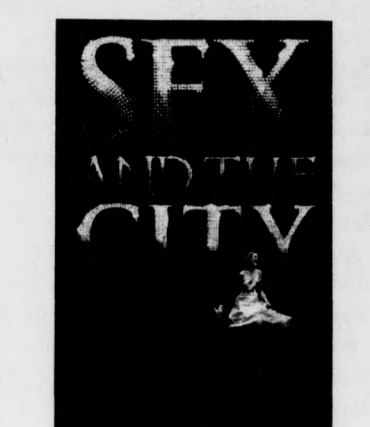


"The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian" is the second in the series of "The Chronicles of Narnia" movies, though it is chronologically the fourth book in the series. Although it has only been one year in the story for

the Pevensie siblings, it has been thousands of years for Narnia. The four children, Peter (William Moseley), Susan (Anna Popplewell), Edmund (Skandar Keynes) and Lucy (Georgie Henley) return to Narnia and discover the tyrant, King Miraz, is now in power. With the help of Reepicheep the mouse (voiced by Eddie Izzard), Prince Caspian (Ben Barnes), and Aslan the lion (voiced by Liam Neeson), the children try to overthrow the king and restore peace to Narnia. "The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian" opens May 16.



"Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull" is the fourth Indiana Jones movie. Who could resist watching Harrison Ford relive his glory days? In the film, Indy gets into some more trouble with ancient monuments and artifacts and faces some near-death, sticky situations, but manages to work his way out safely. The film also stars Cate Blanchett and Shia LaBeouf, and opens May 22.



"Sex and the City: The Movie"

is for the fans who just couldn't get enough of the series. The story takes place four years later as Carrie (Sarah Jessica Parker), Samantha (Kim Cattrall), Miranda (Cynthia Nixon) and Charlotte (Kristin Davis) deal with their relationships, families and friendships. Oh—and Carrie is supposed to marry Mr. Big (Chris Noth). "Sex and the City: The Movie" opens May 30.



After lots of publicity in the theaters (cell phone ads, teaser trailers, etc.), "Kung Fu Panda" will open in theaters June 6. An animated film, "Kung Fu Panda" features adventures of Po the panda (Jack Black) with Kung Fu masters. The film traces his journey through vigorous training up through the final test of fighting an evil snow leopard to protect the Valley of Peace. Like their penguin and rodent predecessors, perhaps pandas will become the new "in" animal in Hollywood. The film also features the voices of

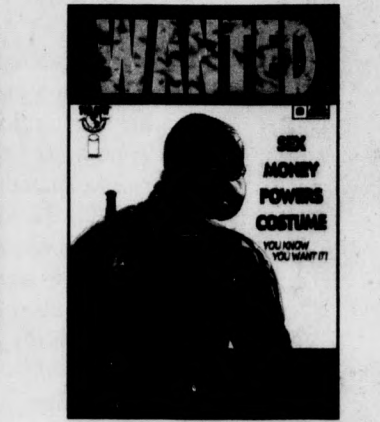


Ian McShane and Angelina Jolie. "The Incredible Hulk" of 2008 is a loose sequel to "Hulk" of 2003. In the film, Edward Norton plays Bruce Banner, who turns into the Hulk. He is hiding in South Amer-

ica, trying to find a cure for this condition. However, the U.S. military is trying to locate him in order to keep him under control. The Abomination, an enemy, will appear and have some sort of showdown with the Hulk. Liv Tyler, William Hurt and Tim Roth also star. "The Incredible Hulk" opens June 13.



"Wanted," directed by Timur Bekmambetov, is based on a comic book as well. In the film, Wesley Gibson (James McAvoy) turns



into a vigilante who takes on the role of a hitman. Wesley Gibson (James McAvoy) turns

his mundane life around once his father is murdered and he meets a woman named Fox (Angelina Jolie). Wes joins the Fraternity, a secret society that trains and helps him avenge his father's death.

As Wes learns to use his powers, he realizes vengeance is always accompanied by more problems. "Wanted" opens June 27.



"The Dark Knight" is the sequel to "Batman Begins" in which Christian Bale played the famous bat-bitten, yet handsome and wealthy, Bruce Wayne. In "The Dark Knight," Wayne joins forces with Lieutenant James Gordon (Gary Oldman) and Harvey Dent (Aaron Eckhart) against the Joker (Heath Ledger). Katie Holmes has been replaced by Maggie Gyllenhaal as the love interest, Rachel Dawes.

Due to Heath Ledger's death, the role of Joker has been completed by Johnny Depp, Jude Law and Colin Farrell. If anything, how these three portray the role should be interesting. "The Dark Knight" opens July 18.

Indeed the summer seems to be shaping up in terms of movies. From action-adventure to musical, animation, romance, comedy and adaptation, the summer cinema scene has a movie designed to meet everyone's needs.

Chill out with local favorites

By Tracy Lum
Staff Writer

Ice cream and other chilled treats are essential to the summer experience, but where does the campus go to get the best frozen desserts?

In Lewisburg, numerous places serve the desired cold treats—from the Lewisburg Freez, to Rita's, to restaurants also serving full course meals. Among the University community, the dessert debate continues.

Many students and faculty agree the Lewisburg Freez is an indispensable part of Lewisburg. With 27 flavors of ice cream, numerous types of toppings and cones, sundaes, milkshakes, smoothies and the infamous "Freez," a delectable concoction consisting of soft serve ice cream swirled with toppings and heaped into a cup, the Lewisburg Freez provides a variety of options to satisfy anyone's sweet tooth.

Katherine Rella '11 loves the Lewisburg Freez. "It's the best," she said.

Her favorite flavor of Freez to order is chocolate chip cookie dough. "And on a cold day," she added, "just ask for hot fudge down the middle."

Rella, who goes to the Freez planning to try other flavors, always reverts back to her favorite chocolate chip cookie dough. As a Bucknell Student Government (BSG) representative, Rella is working on getting the Freez to take BUID.

Many students enjoy taking trips to the

Freez. Graduate student Carlee Jarrett has visited the Freez as well. She ordered a cherry Freez and enjoyed it very much. "There's always a line there," she said, which prevents her from visiting the ice cream stand often.

Nhu-Y Le '10 believes the Lewisburg Freez is the best place to get ice cream in the area. Her favorite flavor there is pina colada. She too has never been to Rita's. "I don't like frozen ice," she said. "It doesn't sound appetizing."

Rita's.

While the two establishments both serve chilled desserts, Maynard believes the two cannot be compared. "At one you get ice cream and the other you get water ice," he said.

Alex Muchow '11 believes neither is better than the other. He enjoys ordering treats at both places—chocolate chip cookie dough at the Freez and mango or blueberry at Rita's.

Likewise, Dan Hart '11 enjoys products from both establishments. On Free Ice Day, March 20, the first day of spring, Hart sampled the mango, passion fruit and tropical punch flavors. "It was good," he said.

While he enjoys ice cream as well as flavored ice, Hart added, "It depends what you're in the mood for. They're different."

Dietary restrictions may be a reason for many consumers to choose Rita's over the Freez.

"I don't actually prefer Rita's over the Freez," said Caitlyn Oster '11. "I just go there a lot because my friend with the car is lactose intolerant."

Indeed, Rita's products are an excellent alternative to ice cream for those who cannot stomach lactose found in milk products.

While the Lewisburg Freez and Rita's are perhaps the most well-known ice cream places to students due to their proximity to the campus, there are other establishments serving ice cream and other frosty treats in Lewisburg.

One place is Bechtel's Frosty Cow, located on North Derr Road. Ice cream can also be found at various restaurants throughout town, such as the Bull Run Inn and other shops like the Market Street Deli.



Illustration by Ery Sellers

which serves Italian ices, Cream ices, Gelati, Misto, frozen custard, Blendinis, Ritaccinos and Slenderitas, is located just down the street from the Freez.

Offering many alternatives to ice cream, Rita's makes its products with ice, real fruit and in some cases, custard. With sugar-free options, as well, Rita's treats are an excellent lower-calorie alternative to ice cream.

"Mango all the way," said Doug Maynard '10, when asked about his favorite flavor at

Expand your summer reading list with five fun, engrossing books

By Sara Roth
Features Editor

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One of my favorite things about summer is all of the extra time I have to catch up on my reading list. Nothing is better than lying on the beach, listening to the surf, and laughing out loud to David Sedaris' latest romp or getting caught up in a campy thriller.

Summer is a time to indulge ourselves with reading not always considered "literary." After a year filled with the likes of Shakespeare, Dostoyevsky, Nietzsche and Kant, we all deserve a break with some lighter reading.

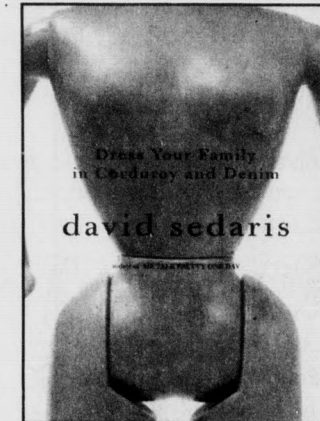
Here are a few of my favorite summer reads—they're fun and light but still have some substance. These are the books I return to summer after summer.



"Welcome to the Monkey House" by Kurt Vonnegut

This is Kurt Vonnegut's first collection of short stories. They're hysterical and poignant, and the topics range from a community theater relationship between the terminally shy to suicide parlors in the future. Vonnegut's spare writing style and sardonic wit are perfectly displayed in this collection.

Short stories are great for the beach because each story is 10 to 30 pages long, and you don't have to read them in succession. If you are a fan of Vonnegut's novels, "Welcome to the Monkey House" is a must-read.



"Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim" by David Sedaris

David Sedaris is one of the funniest and most celebrated voices of our generation. A regular on National Public Radio (NPR) and brother of comedian Amy Sedaris (Strangers with Candy), Sedaris is the author of five autobiographical essay collections including "Naked," "Barrel Fever" and "Me Talk Pretty One Day."

Each book is uproariously funny, but "Dress Your Family in Corduroy and Denim" made me laugh loudest of all. His accounts of his uptight father, eccentric mother, and wild siblings are so funny you'll want to read your friends each essay out loud. Don't bring this to the beach if you want to maintain your dignity.



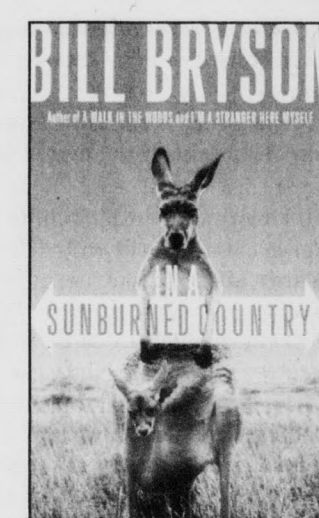
"Ham on Rye" by Charles Bu-

This crazy womanizing alcoholic from Los Angeles is one of my favorite writers. Charles Bukowski has a deep cult following, and although his poetry and prose is jagged, liquor-soaked, sad and sometimes painful, it is always truthful.

"Ham on Rye" is Bukowski's semi-autobiographical account of his childhood and teenage years. The main character is Henry Chinaski—Bukowski's doppelganger. Through Chinaski, we get a rare glimpse into Bukowski's young life and what shaped his writing and adult years. Chinaski, a withdrawn, bitter, crass misanthrope, suffers debilitating acne and the advances of his best friend's mother.

What I love most about Bukowski is the more chauvinistic, petty, drunk and angry he gets, the more I sympathize for this lonely, tortured soul. The minute you begin reading "Ham on Rye," you'll understand why Bukowski is often referred to as the "Poet Laureate of Skid Row."

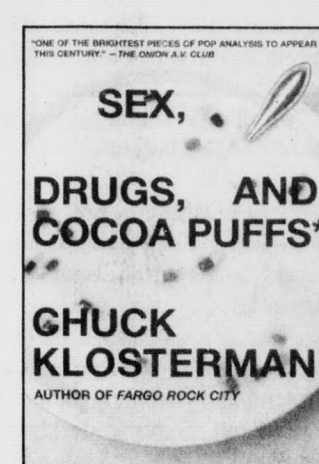
If you liked this book, you'll also like his first novel, "Post Office," as well as the collection of short stories, "Hot Water Music."



"In a Sunburned Country" by Bill Bryson

The great thing about travel literature is it can transport you to remote countries in ways television or movies cannot. Throughout "In a Sunburned Country" famed travel writer Bill Bryson ("A Walk in the Woods") takes the reader on a sensory trip to Australia. Bryson travels to the Australian Outback, the Gold Coast, Perth and Sydney, as well as other lesser-known locations. His uproarious stories of encounters with the most dangerous wildlife on the planet, extreme locals and life-threatening heat doesn't overshadow his surprising affinity for Australia.

Bryson is often grumpy and pessimistic in his travel literature, but during "In a Sunburned Country" he absolutely fell in love with Australia. After reading it, you will too.



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"Sex, Drugs and Cocoa Puffs" by Chuck Klosterman

This is another collection of essays, this time by Chuck Klosterman, a contemplative journalist who focuses on pop culture. Klosterman has written for Esquire and Spin magazines, and the jaded way in which he discusses his fascination with pop culture is hilarious. Klosterman dissects Zach Morris, "The Real World," Tom Cruise and Evangelical Christians with the same precision a neurosurgeon uses to dissect a brain tumor. "Sex, Drugs and Cocoa Puffs" is—like its author—in-dulgent, memorable and completely obsessive-compulsive.

The Essentials

Everything you really need to know before you graduate

Famous words of wisdom

By Rina Van Orden and Sara Roth
Features Editors

In our final issue of the year, we decided to share some words of wisdom with the graduating seniors and the rest of the campus community. With the help of faculty members across many disciplines and the rest of the Bucknellian staff, we compiled a list of famous quotes that advise how to live life to its fullest.

"Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind." — **Dr. Seuss**

"If you must fail, fail splendidly." — **Yamamoto Tsunetomo**

"Words are the arbiters of the disputes they initiate. What silly naïve animals we must seem perennially caught in our traps." — **Leo V. Lais**

"Look, I don't want to wax philosophic, but I will say that if you're alive you've got to flap your arms and legs, you've got to jump around a lot, for life is the very opposite of death, and therefore you must at very least think noisy and colorfully, or you're not alive." — **Mel Brooks**

"People living deeply have no fear of death." — **Anais Nin**

"Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first." — **Mark Twain**

"Nothing ever comes to one, that is worth having, except as a result of hard work." — **Booker T. Washington**

"Every man is a damn fool for at least five minutes every day; wisdom consists in not exceeding the limit." — **Elbert Hubbard**

"He who devotes sixteen hours a day to hard study may become at sixty as wise as he thought himself at twenty." — **Mary Wilson Little**

"One has to get rid of the bad taste of wanting to be in agreement with many." — **Nietzsche**

"The definition of success—To laugh much; to win respect of intelligent persons and the affections of children; to earn the approbation of honest critics and endure the betrayal of false friends; to appreciate beauty; to find the best in others; to give one's self; to leave the world a little better, whether by a healthy child, a garden patch, or a redeemed social condition; to have played and laughed with enthusiasm, and sung with exultation; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived—this is to have succeeded." — **Ralph Waldo Emerson**

"Better than a thousand meaningless statements
Is one meaningful word,
Which, having been heard,
Brings peace." — **Dharmapada, ch. 8**

"Life is too short to wear tight shoes." — **Anonymous**

"I honestly think it is better to be a failure at something you love than to be a success at something you hate." — **George Burns**

"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again. Then quit. There's no point in being a damn fool about it." — **W. C. Fields**

"Oh, I am heartily tired of hearing about what Lee is going to do. Some of you always seem to think he is suddenly going to turn a double somersault, and land in our rear and on both of our flanks at the same time. Go back to your command, and try to think what we are going to do ourselves, instead of what Lee is going to do." — **Ulysses S. Grant**, to an unnamed staff officer, May 6, 1864. Battle of the Wilderness.

"It's all right letting yourself go, as long as you can get yourself back." — **Mick Jagger**

"True teaching is not an accumulation of knowledge; it is an awakening of consciousness which goes through successive stages." — **Egyptian Temple Inscription**, Medinet Habu, Ramesses III

"Make the most of your regrets; never smother your sorrow, but tend and cherish it till it comes to have a separate and integral interest. To regret deeply is to live afresh." — **Henry David Thoreau**

"The best education consists in immunizing people against systematic attempts at education." — **Paul Feyerabend**

"1. Compliment three people every day.
2. Watch a sunrise at least once a year.
3. Have a firm handshake.
4. Own a great stereo system.
5. Drink champagne for no reason at all."

— **H. Jackson Brown, Jr.**, *Life's Little Instruction Book*

"Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die, life is a broken winged bird that cannot fly." — **Langston Hughes**

"You must love your work, and not be always looking over the edge of it, wanting your play to begin." — **George Eliot**, *Middlemarch*.

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it." — **Ferris Bueller**

Appreciating Simic's poetry

Graduation Speaker's works hint at topics for Commencement speech

By Lindsay Carter
Senior Writer

Poet Laureate Charles Simic is the speaker for the 2008 Commencement Ceremony May 18. Clever and insightful, his poetry explores the beauty of the world and humanity, as well as serious themes pervading it. If he incorporates these into the ceremony, Simic will deliver an inspiring speech showing the Class of 2008 that while there is so much to look forward to after graduation, the world is also full of obstacles to overcome.

Simic was appointed to the position of Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry Aug. 2, 2007 and will serve one to two years. In this position, he will bring poetry to a wider public audience.

Previous laureates have accomplished this in a variety of ways, including seminars, conferences and innovative means of introducing poetry to schools, newspapers, airports, hospitals and other locations in which poetry gains daily exposure.

Born in 1938 in Belgrade, then part of Yugoslavia, Simic did not speak English until he immigrated to America as a teenager. He grew up in a war-torn area and, upon moving to Chicago, served in the U.S. Army between 1961 and 1963 before graduating from New York University in 1966.

Simic's poetry suggests a person who has had extensive life experiences; his words paint pictures of the world as it is, with every aspect, good and bad.

In 1990, Simic earned the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry for "The World Doesn't End," a book of prose poems. Simic has written 18 books of poetry. His most recent is "That Little Something," released April 7.

Simic writes in "Orphan Factory," his book of essays and memoirs, "The quality of any experience depends on how aware we are of ourselves while it is taking place." If any single sentence can portray the essence of Simic's poetry, it is this one. Simic's poetry is the representation of his sharp awareness of his surroundings and the events of his life becoming universal through his expression of them.

One poem illustrating Simic's ability to make a story and message out of a typical scene is "Kitchen Helper." In this poem, he uses commonplace themes and imagery from a kitchen to comment on society and humankind.

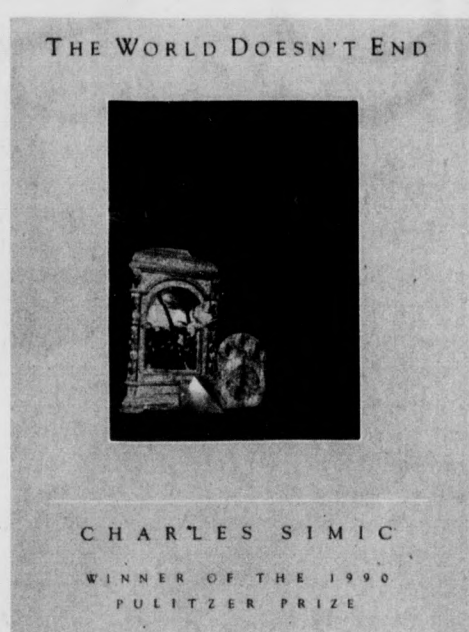
The poem begins, "I'm your chopping board/Your frying pan/And the knife you mince/The onions/And cut your finger with." This poetry enters into the lives of the readers, drawing them in to identify with the scene.

Once he establishes this scene, Simic questions the nature of happiness. He concludes, "Clever cook, let me/Steal your glasses for a moment/To peek into the pot/Where the cause of their happiness/Is bubbling over/With many secret ingredients/And seasonings/Only you know the names of."

Happiness is everywhere, Simic writes, but it can be complex and hard to find.

In "The Cackle," Simic writes more on the complexity of the nature of being, using a creative but accessible image to portray his message. He writes of the world, "Wee-hour world, insoluble world/You may as well be a goldfish/Swimming in a bowl of ink/For all we understand of you." As difficult as it is to understand this world, Simic perseveres as his poetry explores its many aspects and possibilities.

Many of Simic's poems regard nature and its seductive qualities. Simic's poetry acknowledges the peace and restfulness found in nature, but "The Forest Walk" illustrates



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the juxtaposition of the natural world and the social world. The poem begins by romanticizing the forest: "Today we took a long walk in the forest/There we met a couple walking/Arm in arm with eyes closed./The forest is a dream you had/When you were little, they told us."

As the poem progresses, Simic introduces the aspects of society infiltrating this peaceful realm. "Let's stay here tonight, you said/And I agreed, but then we didn't/You had left the key in the car/And the video store was about to close./We were running now/We could see the ice-cream truck/We could see the plane's landing lights."

The key, the video store and other worries are beginning to emerge as the class of 2008 prepares to leave the academic and social dream that is the University. There's a world beyond the haven of the forest, writes Simic, and as he may address at commencement, there is a broad world outside of the University just waiting to be explored.

The Bucknellian Crossword

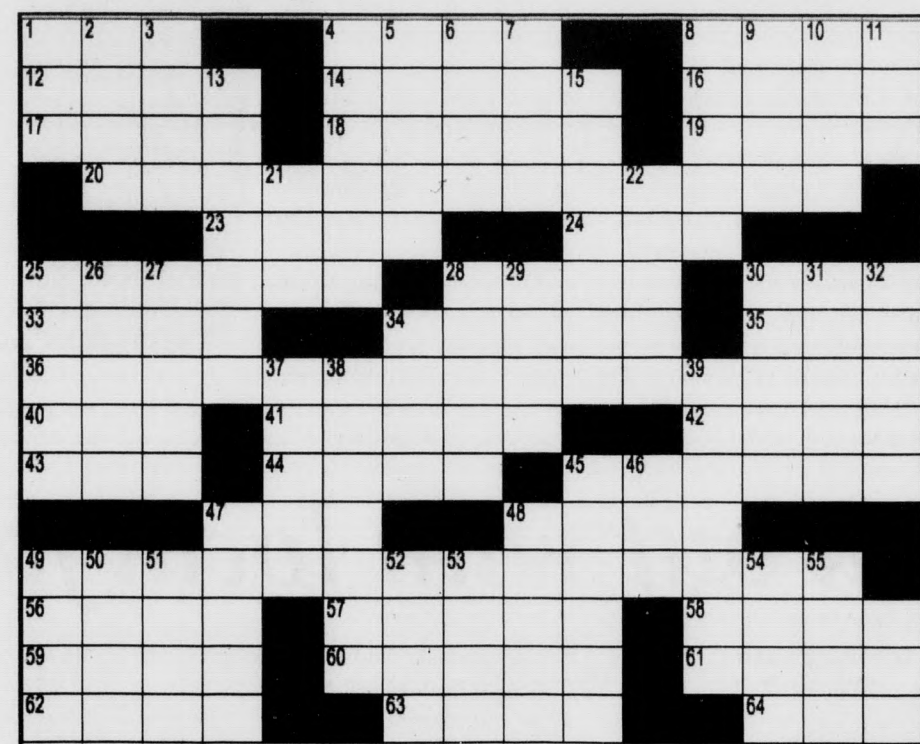
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1. Shirt part
4. Shrewd
8. Pop
12. Yuletide
14. Numskull
16. Bird venerated by ancient Egyptians
17. Yellowfin, e.g.
18. Stuff to the gills
19. Adam's apple spot
20. Ignore
23. Center
24. "What's ___?"
25. Fragrant compounds
28. Genesis son
30. Stick (out)
33. Drops from the sky
34. Afflictions
35. Musical Yoko
36. Make an embarrassing situation worse
40. "We're number ___!"
41. Merger
42. Anniversary, e.g.
43. Double-crosser
44. Hidden valley
45. Tumult
47. "So that's it!"
48. Potting need
49. "Shut up!"
55. Mr. Hefner
56. Appears
57. Suggestion
59. Bermuda, e.g.
60. Tests
61. Wintry
62. Mix (up)
63. Family
64. Directed

4. Stogies
5. Pueblo brick
6. Miss
7. Jellystone Park celebrity
8. Toughness
9. Comply with
10. They're spotted in casinos
11. Inquire
13. Theft
15. Serena's shoes
21. Neither's partner
22. Crowded
25. Typo
26. Spa feature
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28. Religious law
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30. Old Testament prophet
31. Join forces
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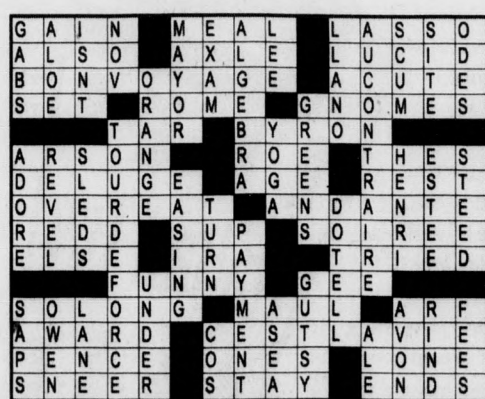
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1. Colony member
2. Defeat decisively
3. Dessert



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Bucknell's Living Histories: connecting our community

English class to share professors' stories with the campus

By Annie Leister
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Do you know which professors can speak over six languages and have lived in Europe, Africa and the United States? Would you be surprised to find out your professor had been a cowboy in Peru, or hitchhiked across America on foot in the 70s?

These are exactly the types of stories the University's English 290 class has collected from an array of professors and is planning to share with the campus community, with the goal of connecting students with the past and present histories of some of their favorite people.

The class, Literary Arts Administration and Editing, was given an open-ended group assignment with the goal of fostering literacy in some way on campus and in the surrounding community. After some false starts and setbacks, the class decided on a collective oral history project.

Students interviewed four English professors (Harold Schweizer, Ghislaine McDayter, John Rickard and Jean Peterson) as well as professors from a wide array of other academic disciplines.

Interviews were also transcribed from Manuel Delgado, professor of Spanish, Erik Lofgren, associate professor of East Asian studies, Thomas Greaves, professor of anthropology, Ellen Herman, assistant professor of geology, Gundolf Graml, visiting assistant professor of German, and Eleanor Goudie-Averill, visiting professor of dance.

Shara McCallum, professor

of the ENGL 290 class, claimed the work the class is doing in a literary sense aspires to connect people by creating a branch between the 290 students and professors as well as between professors and the community at large.

"That is what literacy is, and that is what literary arts administration does," she said.

Sarah Novello '08 further discussed the purpose of the assignment.

"This project is important because it truly does create a connection between professors, whose lives have been shaped by the histories they are seeking to create their own unique histories as they venture out into the ever foreboding real world," Novello said.

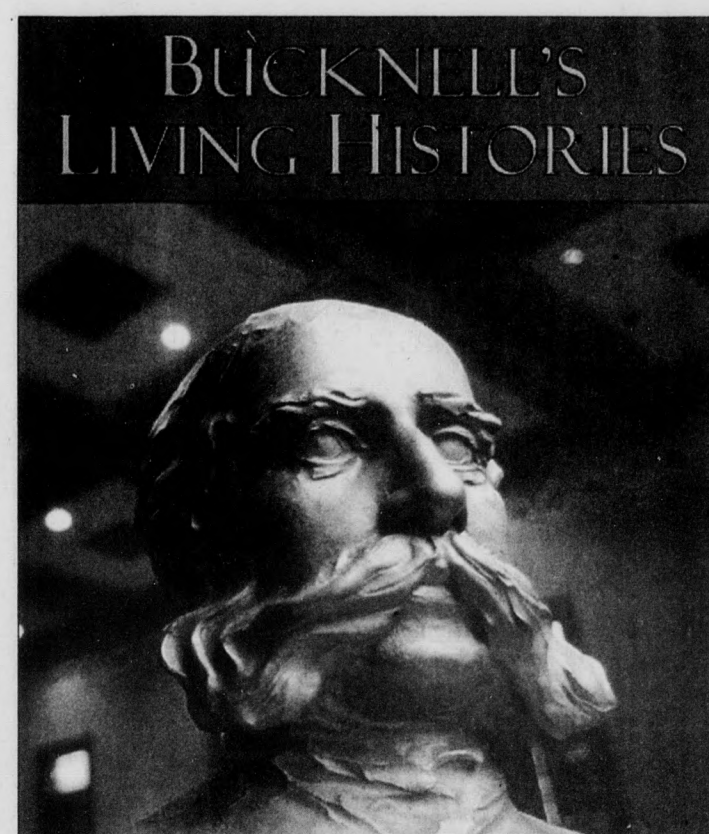
In addition to interviewing 10 professors, the 12 students of the class were responsible for transcribing and editing interviews and compiling them for

a published version. McCallum commented on the valuable life lessons the students are learning from their work on this project, asserting that students have developed such skills as working in a group setting, delegating responsibilities and handling interpersonal crises.

Students also planned an event to present their project to the campus community and were responsible for arranging publicity and catering.

The presentation, "Bucknell's Living Histories," will be held in Bucknell Hall April 29 at 4:00.

"These oral histories will comfort students who are unsure of their future," Novello said. "The rather ridiculous experiences of professors will allow us to recognize that, whatever path we may take, everything will turn out all right and, if it doesn't, we'll at least have some spectacular stories to tell when we're asked by curious young people."



The ENGL 290 class's publication was designed by the students. It will be available at the class's presentation event next week.

Paperback Private Eye

Senior writer Julie Andrews reviews for quality books to review.

"Home: A Memoir of my Early Years" by Julie Andrews

Andrews reminisces about her childhood and turbulent rise to fame

Any child can tell you about "My Favorite Things." What's the longest word you can think of? Easy: Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious. The best way to take your medicine? Duh, you just need "A Spoonful of Sugar."

Julie Andrews, born Julia Elizabeth Wells, has become a staple in every child's upbringing. She's captured the hearts of generations. Yet her own upbringing and rise to fame was anything but the elegant and glamorous image she gives off today.

In her recently released autobiography, "Home: A Memoir of my Early Years," Andrews recounts her life before fame, from her Oct. 1, 1935 birth in Walton-on-Thames, England, to 1962, when Walt Disney himself chose her for the role of what was to become the world's most proper, charismatic nanny. Along the way, Andrews recounts the struggles and fears dominating her childhood, and the drive and determination enabling her to get through it all.

Andrews grew up poor in war-torn Great Britain, split from her father and brother after her parents' early divorce, and living with a mother slowly sinking into alcoholism and a stepfather whose sexual advances and violent tendencies caused near-constant fear.

Andrews' writing is candid and pure, and her memoir will be a joy to read for all her fans.

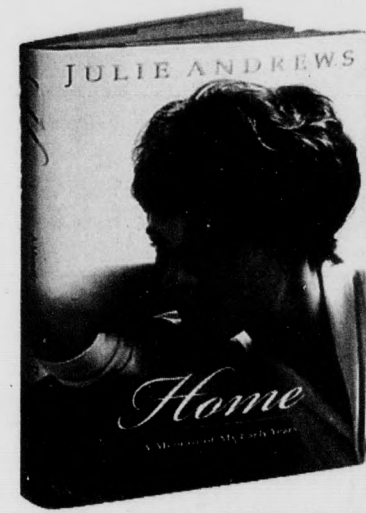
Andrews made a vow early on to give whatever she chose to do in life all she had and that whatever life held for her, she would be good at it.

Boy, was she right. Blessed with a soprano voice of near perfect pitch spanning an astounding four octaves (a voice she refers to as "freakishly high"), Andrews started taking voice lessons early on.

At 9 years old she was already touring and performing in her parents' vaudeville shows. Slowly and unintentionally working her way up the ladder, Andrews spread her name across England, singing on radio for the BBC and even performing for the Queen at the Royal Command Variety Performance at the age of 12.

As her stepfather turned to the bottle and her mother followed shortly after, Andrews knew it was up to her to save her family and beloved childhood home. Work turned from a fun activity to being vital for survival.

Spotted in London by Broadway producers, Andrews was cast in "The Boy Friend" and in 1948 made her first move to the United States, a move she recounts as being one of the hardest decisions she ever had to make. For a year she left behind all she knew and everyone she knew including her siblings left



Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

along with her deteriorating parents.

Success followed suit. What was originally a one-year contract for "The Boy Friend" led to her casting as Eliza Doolittle in the legendary Broadway hit "My Fair Lady," opposite Rex Harrison.

Always unaware of the powerful effect she had, Andrews describes her accounts in showbiz with utter candor and a refreshing honesty. Many backstage stories surface, as well as humorous gossip about many of her co-stars.

In between these descriptions, Andrews brings her audiences back to reality. She details her struggles of getting the hang of Broadway life, working with moody Broadway stars, and dealing with her family struggles back home.

Andrews' writing is candid and pure, and her memoir will be a joy to read for all her fans. There are times she comes across as a bit too fantastical in her story-telling, perhaps from her years of writing children's books, and some seemingly important details of how she achieved some of her roles are left out.

Even still, you can easily follow along in Andrews' journey and gain a whole new understanding of how Andrews has come to be. Stories surrounding her accidents on stage, shattering discovery of her real father at age 15, and poignant statements about sex humanize what many have just seen as an idol, a legendary icon.

Want to know her first words? How did Julia Wells really turn into Julie Andrews? Which stars did Andrews get nervous about meeting? These questions and more are answered in this book, one Andrews says was 10 years in the making.

After finishing the book you definitely view Andrews in a new light. But that doesn't mean fans are ready to say "So Long, Farewell." Though no continuation of her autobiography is planned at the moment, leaving off right at the brink of stardom definitely leaves fans longing for more. But until this sequel finds itself in the making, and I have confidence it will, the reading and rereading of Andrews' life before fame will undoubtedly give fans the glimpse into the star's life they have been waiting for.



Delysia Lafosse (Amy Adams) flirts with one of her many love interests, piano player Michael Pardo (Lee Pace). Delysia's other suitors are played by Mark Strong and Tom Payne.

Lessons on life and love in 1930s London

"Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day" is humorous and well-acted, if predictable

By Sarah Hallowell
Staff Writer

In "Miss Pettigrew Lives for a Day," poor Guinevere Pettigrew (Frances McDormand, "Fargo") cannot seem to keep a job as a governess in London on the eve of World War II. In a twist of fate, she steals an employment assignment off the desk of her boss and finds herself at the flat of Miss Delysia Lafosse, (Amy Adams, "Enchanted") a cabaret singer and aspiring actress.

I have always been a little wary of period pieces, but this movie was excellent from beginning to end.

Within minutes, Pettigrew is "hired" as a social secretary and thrown head first into her new employer's man problem. Delysia is juggling three men: Nick, the nightclub owner (Mark Strong, "Stardust"), Phil, the playwright (Tom Payne) and Michael, the lowly piano player (Lee Pace, "The Good Shepherd").

Nick is Delysia's boss and owns the flat where she lives. Phil is a young playwright whose first play is opening, and Delysia desperately wants the lead role, while Michael is the piano player in Nick's cabaret who is in love with Delysia. Thinking fast, Miss Pettigrew helps Delysia get out of some sticky situations involving the three suitors.

Miss Pettigrew feels quite out of place in the high society circles Delysia runs in. While at a lingerie fashion show Miss Pettigrew is introduced to Joe (Clarán Hinds, "Miami Vice"), a well known lingerie designer and his scheming on-and-off fiancée, Edythe (Shirley Henderson, "Bridget Jones's Diary").

Joe takes an immediate interest in Miss Pettigrew while Edythe, who has seen Miss Pettigrew before, blackmails her into helping Edythe with Joe. Miss Pettigrew and Delysia have many more adventures throughout the rest of the day ending with Miss Pettigrew and Delysia teaching each

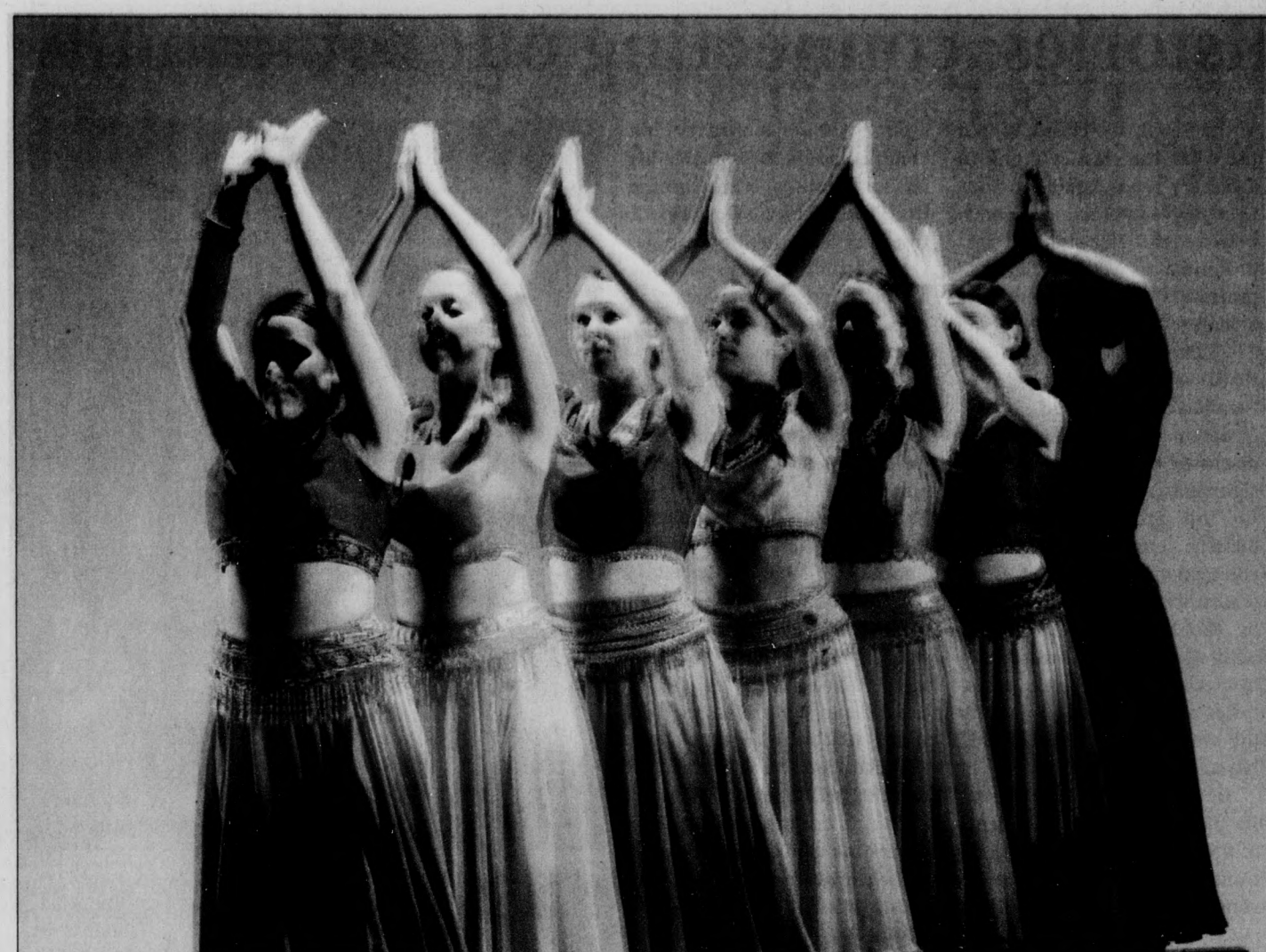
other a little bit about life and love.

I have always been a little wary of period pieces, but this movie was excellent from beginning to end. The hour and a half movie moved quickly, and at no point did I want it to end. In addition, I saw the film at the Campus Theatre, which made the experience all the better. If you have not yet been to the Campus Theatre, I strongly suggest you go before graduating from the University. It is so different from going to a huge Cineplex.

The dialogue of the movie was sharp and quick. McDormand is tremendous as Pettigrew; she really embodied the character of the uptight governess. Some of the facial expressions she makes are quite hilarious. I was also impressed with McDormand's accent since she is not a native of England, but actually from Canada.

Adams also was amazing as Delysia. With comic genius she nails the wide-eyed, vacant look and high pitched voice (I may be being a little bit biased here; I have been a fan of Adams ever since her guest role on "The Office.")

I also loved the costumes and scene design; it really captured the feel of total luxury of the upper class during the time period. The one small criticism I had was the film's predictability; I knew exactly how the story was going to end mid-way through the movie. All in all, though, this is one movie I would absolutely recommend you go and see.

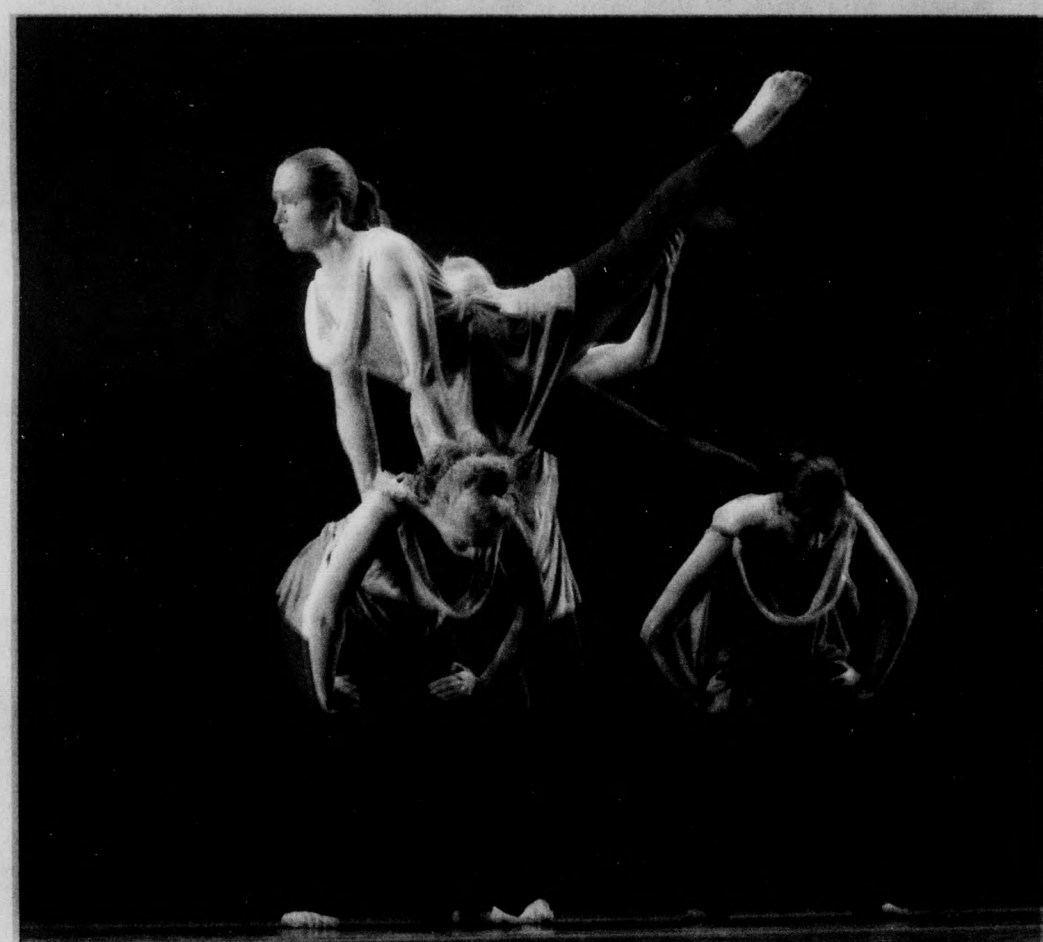


Above left: Jessica Levy '09, Rachel Kerchman '08, Katie Culver '09, Angelica Scott '11, Christiana Mansueto '09, Briana Burckhardt '10, and Abbie Dearman '10 perform the concert's Indian-inspired piece, choreographed by Yabei Chen '09.

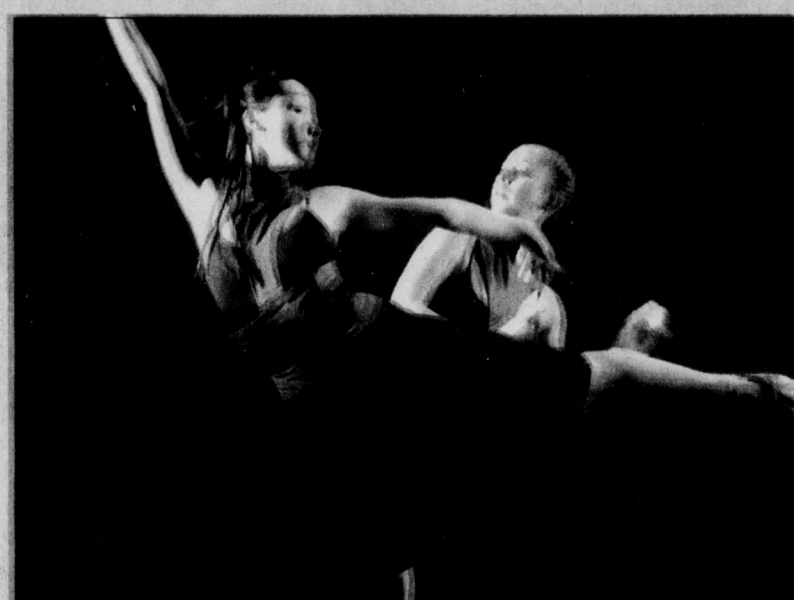


Above right: Abbie Dearman '10 and Rachel Kerchman '08 dance in front of Briana Burckhardt '10.

Bucknell Dance Company Spring Concert this Weekend



Above: Abbie Dearman '10 is supported by Kelsey Tangel '11, Jillian Harvey '09, and Nina Dalal '08. Right: Yabei Chen '09 with Rachel Kerchman '08.



Choreography to include modern pieces, Indian-inspired dance, ballet and more

By Ashley Drake
Contributing Writer

This Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the Weis Center for the Performing Arts, students will have a chance to support their peers as the Bucknell Dance Company (BDC) shows off its hard work this semester. BDC is a pre-professional dance company performing two shows per year, one each semester. The styles and types of dance for this particular performance vary from modern dance, to Indian-inspired, to contemporary ballet and many more.

Yabei Chen '09 is a student choreographer for BDC who choreographed her first piece for the main stage this semester.

"I choreographed a contemporary piece with an Indian flare for this concert. My piece is about embracing femininity and simply, the beauty of women," Other dancers described the piece as very intricate, precise and fascinating to dance to.

"This spring concert has such an array of pieces, costumes and meaning, it is sure to please anyone and everyone," Chen said. "We all have worked so hard this entire semester to ensure that we are bringing nothing but our very best to the gorgeous Weis Cen-

ter stage. We really do hope everyone enjoys watching the performance as much as we all love dancing in it."

A second first-time choreographer for the BDC is Katie Culver '09, who pulled her inspiration for the piece from outside sources.

"I was inspired by a quote from Alfred De Musset that says, 'How glorious it is - and also how painful - to be an exception.' My piece focuses on this quote as I try to tell its story in the choreography."

A third student choreographer, Sara Fenstermacher '08,

"This Spring Concert has such an array of pieces, costumes, and meaning, it is sure to please anyone and everyone."
Yabei Chen '09

is not new to the process as this is the third piece she has created for the BDC. A previous president of the BDC, she has spent much of her University career with the group. This final piece of hers is in the lyrical style of dance and entitled "Emerge Anew."

Fenstermacher explained the premise behind her piece.

"As a senior, this is an important part of entering the next step in our lives, the real world, not necessarily as a dancer. In this sense, my hope is that we will emerge with a new found confidence and sense of identity, yet with a hunger to continue learning and growing and being challenged."

In addition to student choreography, three of the pieces were created by guest artists Kristy Kuhn '00, world renowned dancer and choreographer Michael Foley, and Broadway choreographer Denise LaPointe. "Kelly Knox, the acting director of the BDC production and assistant professor of dance, describes Foley's piece as a "dynamic, physical modern piece on nine dancers."

In contrast, LaPointe's piece is in the style of jazz and set to unique techno music from "The Matrix" film series. Knox also adds the performance "should be an excellent concert full of a variety of styles and atmospheres, and I am thrilled to be involved with it."

All of the BDC dancers, choreographers and supporters have worked extraordinarily hard for the performance this coming weekend and are quite excited to showcase their talent. "I think it's a great thing to have so many diverse and unique dancers come together and put on an amazing show year after year," Culver said, "and we are especially grateful to have so much support from the dance faculty. They have really served as mentors for us as we attempt to create pieces and perform to our best ability, and I know that we would not be where we are today without them."

Tickets for the BDC performance will be on sale this week in the LC Mall from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.. They can also be purchased through the Campus Box Office for \$6 for students, children and senior citizens, and \$8 for adults.



Above left: Michael Foley choreographed this piece, being performed by Kelsey Tangel '11, Stephanie Dautel '10, Jillian Harvey '09 and Christiana Mansueto '09, Katie Culver '09. Above right: Sarah Thalhamer '11, Meredith Sidman '11, Angelica Scott '11, and Briana Burckhardt '10 dance a piece choreographed by Katie Culver.



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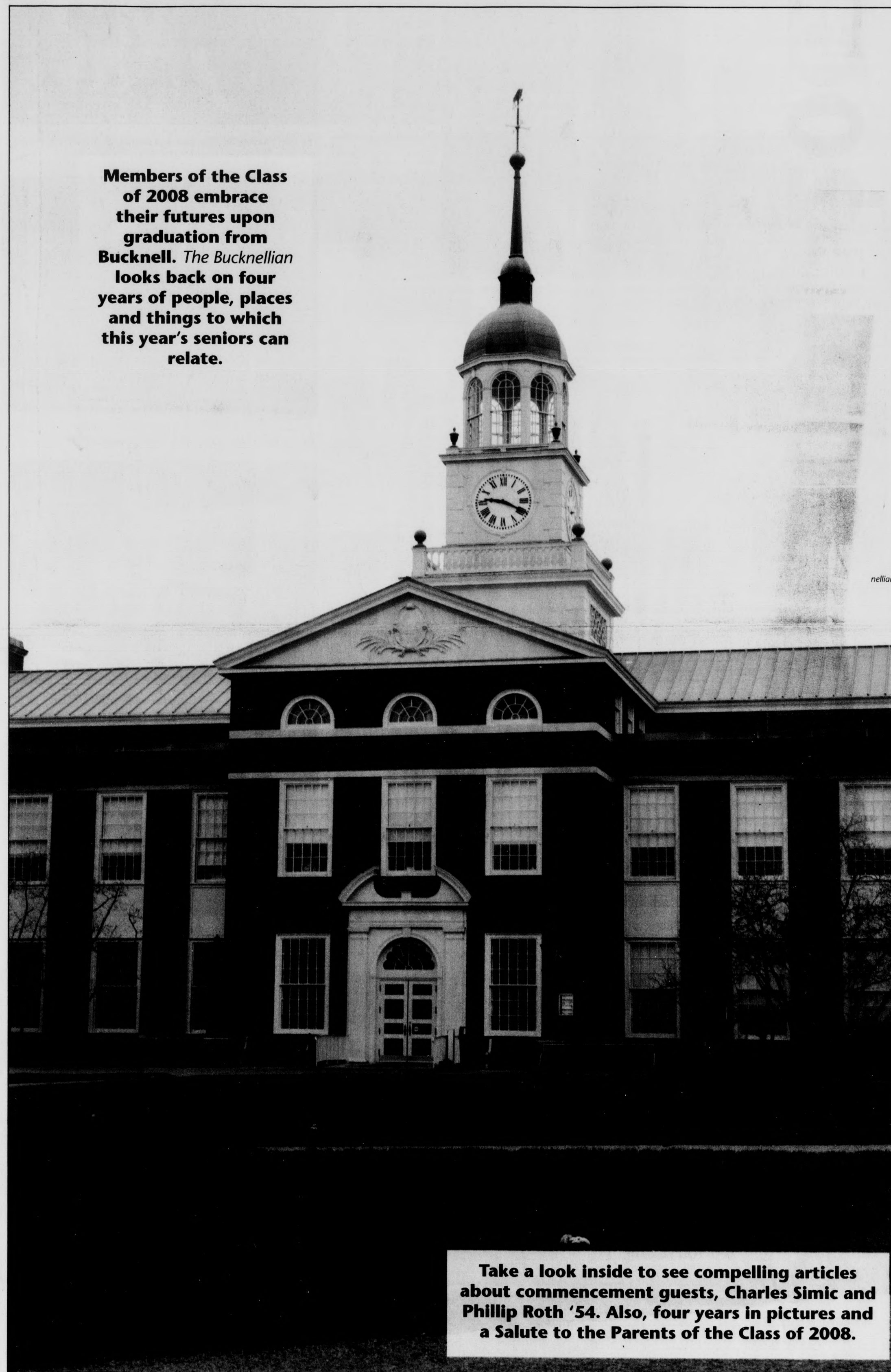
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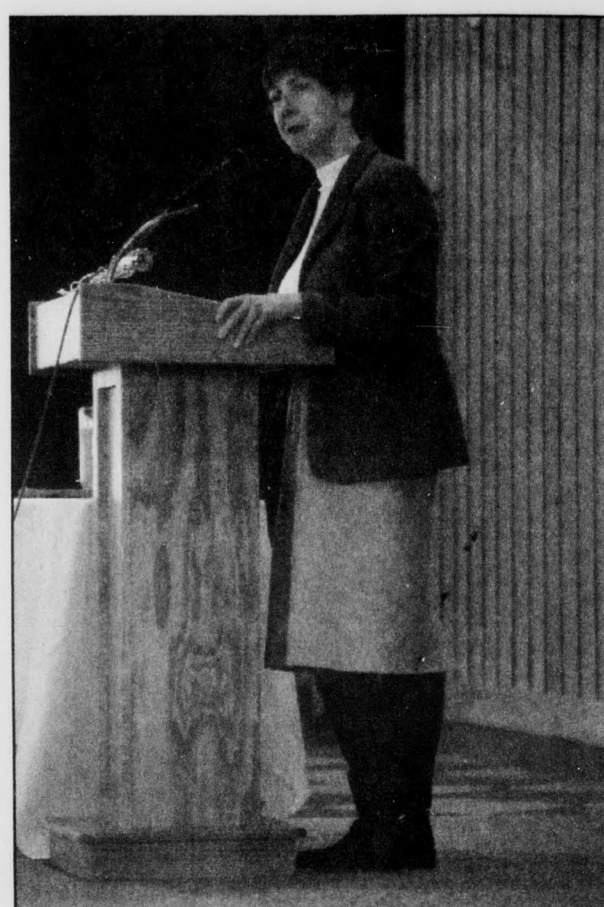
Members of the Class of 2008 embrace their futures upon graduation from Bucknell. The Bucknellian looks back on four years of people, places and things to which this year's seniors can relate.



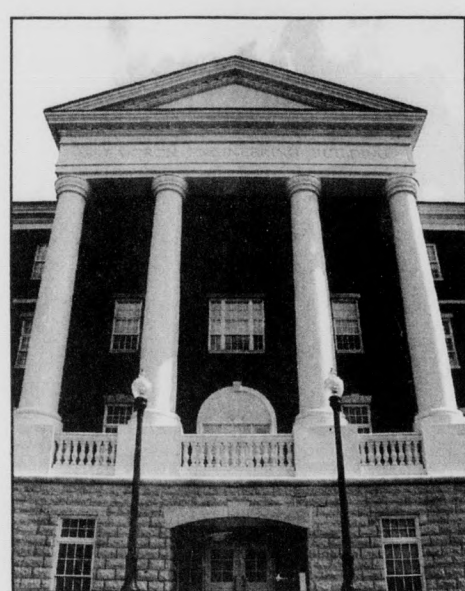
Take a look inside to see compelling articles about commencement guests, Charles Simic and Phillip Roth '54. Also, four years in pictures and a Salute to the Parents of the Class of 2008.

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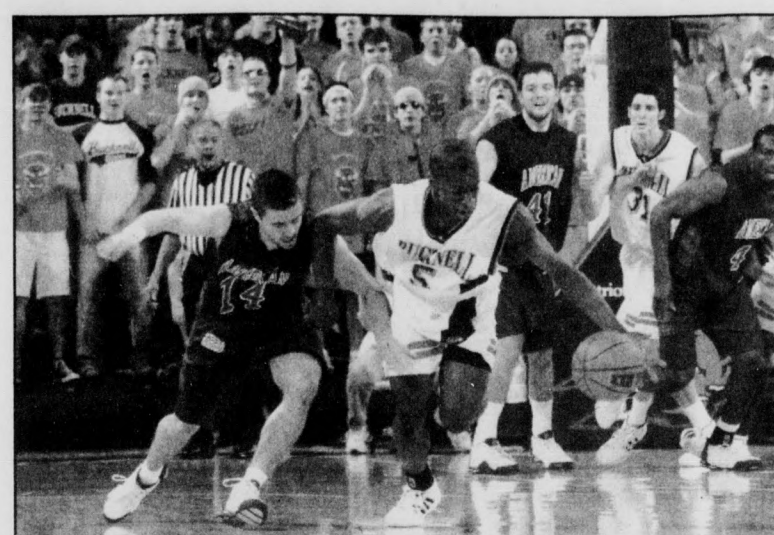
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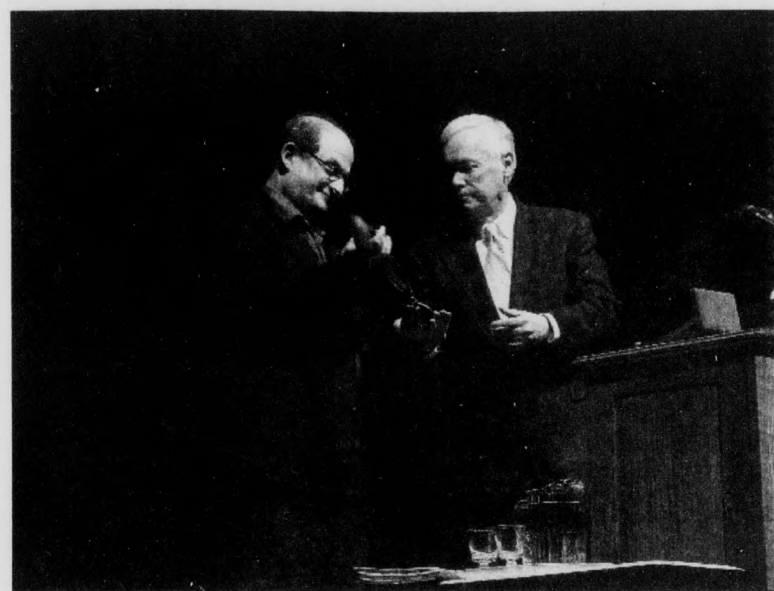
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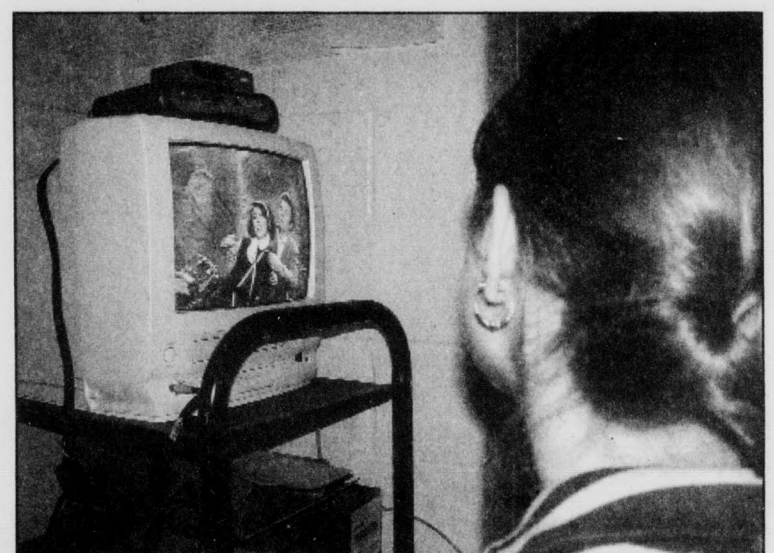
Following Steffen Rogers' retirement, the University welcomed President Brian Mitchell and his wife, Mary Jane.



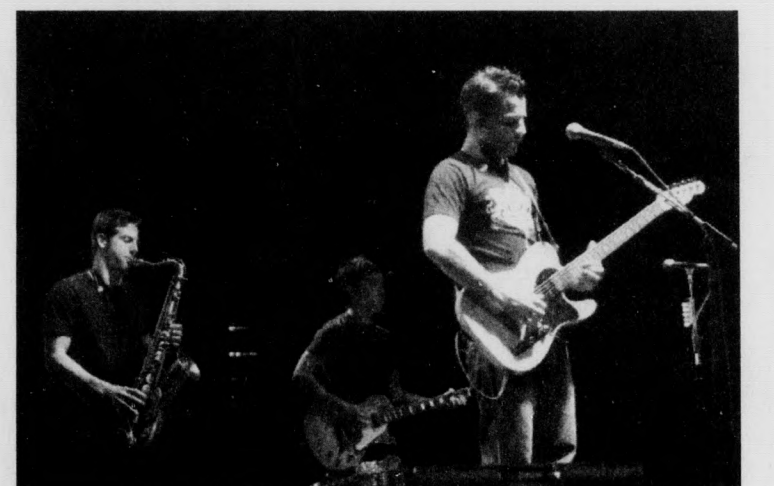
The men's basketball team captured the Patriot League title and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.



University President Brian Mitchell presented author Salman Rushdie with the Janet Weis Fellowship in Contemporary Letters.



BSG's efforts to get cable installed in dorms finally paid off.



OAR proved to be a popular choice as headliner for the Fall Concert.

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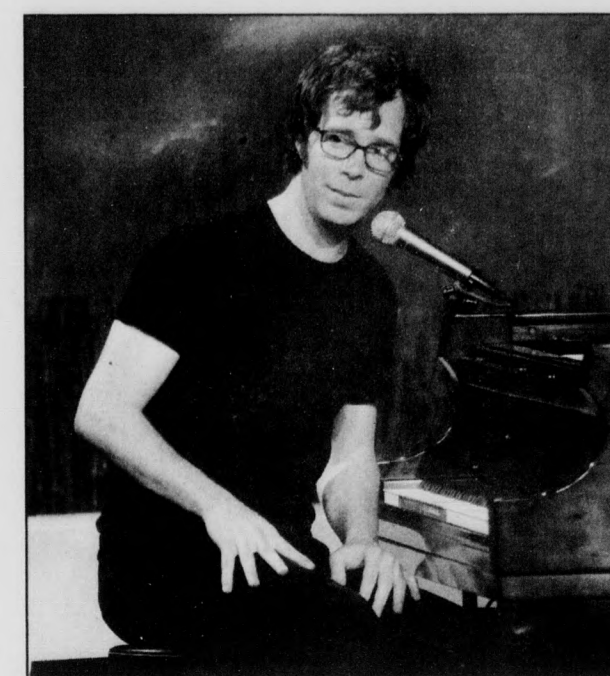
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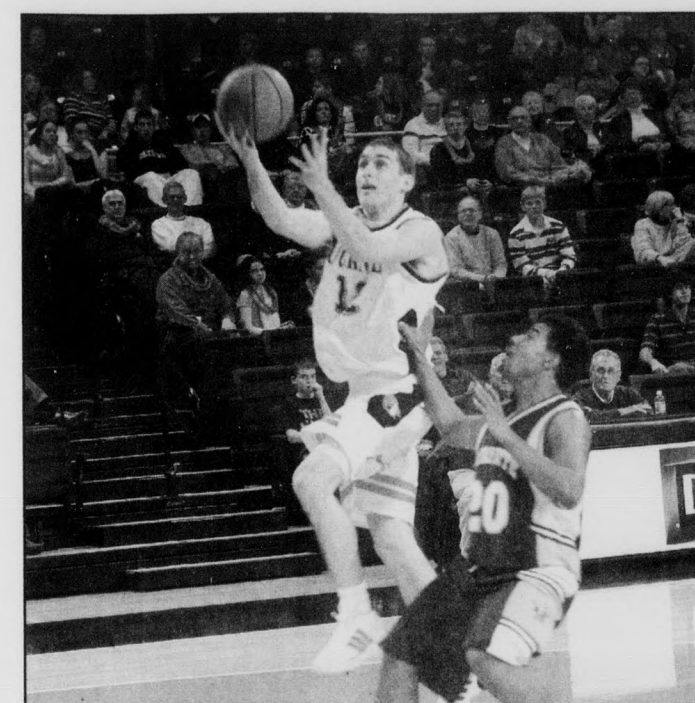
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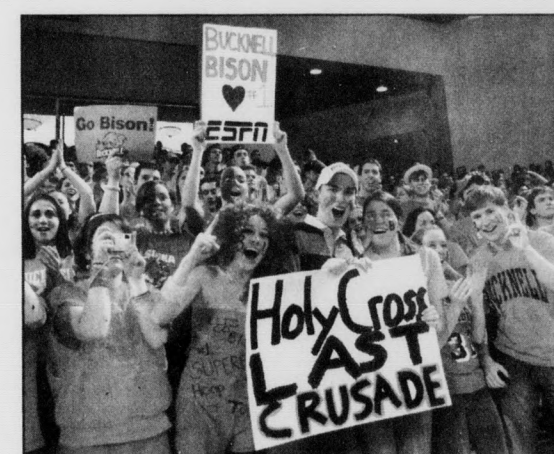
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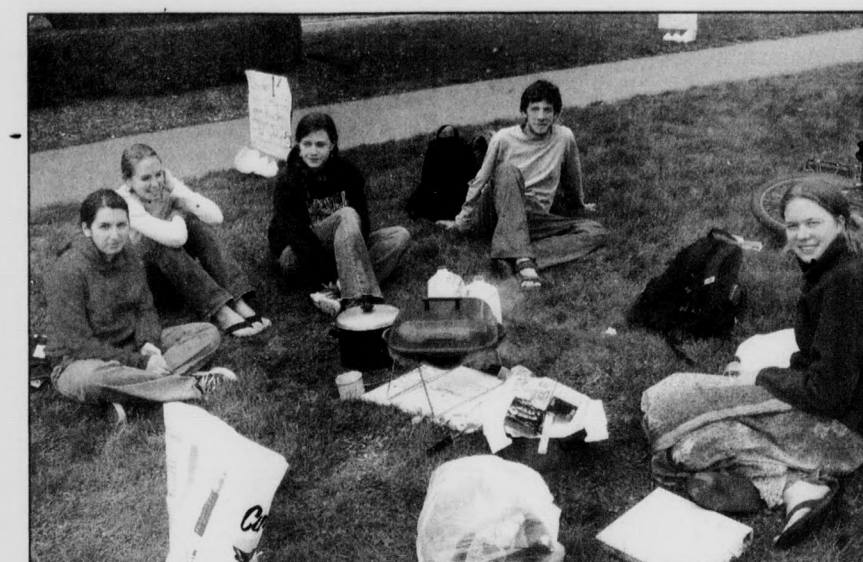
Ben Folds tickled the ivories and the audience at the Spring Concert.



The Bison earned their spot in the spotlight by ranking in the Top 25 men's basketball teams in the nation for the first time in University history.



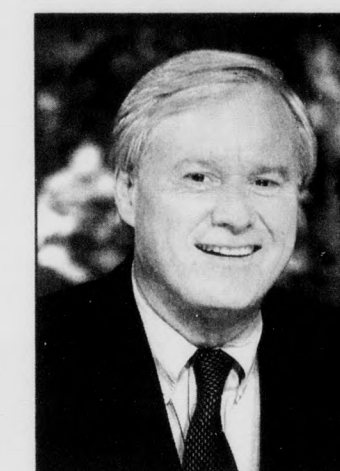
Students flocked to Sojka Pavilion for home basketball games and cheered on the Bison through the NCAA Tournament.



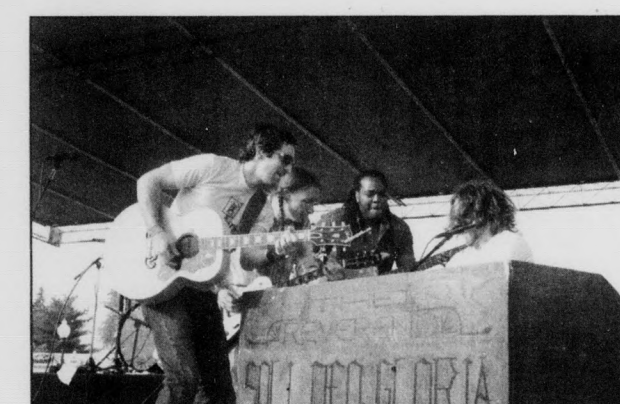
Members of Students for Fair Trade camped out to raise community awareness about poverty.



Students assisted hurricane victims in Mississippi over winter break.



Broadcast journalist and best-selling author Chris Matthews visited campus to speak on politics.



Fall Fest was headlined by singer-song-writer Josh Kelley, whose upbeat music had the crowd on their feet.

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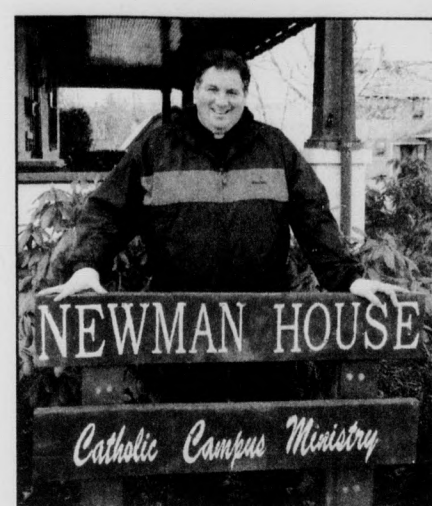
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The University commemorated 9/11 five years after the attacks.



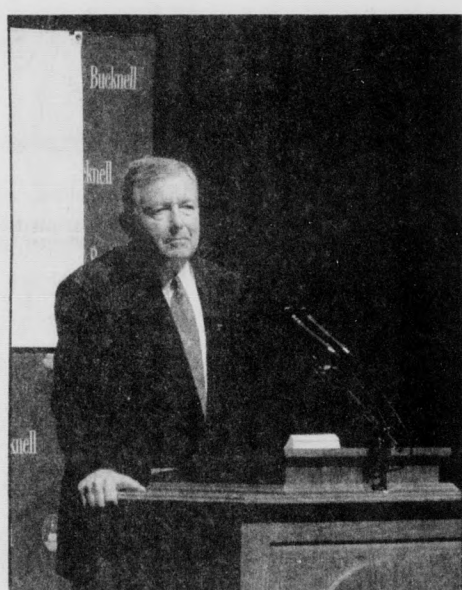
Fr. Marty Moran left campus for a top position in the national Catholic Campus Ministry.



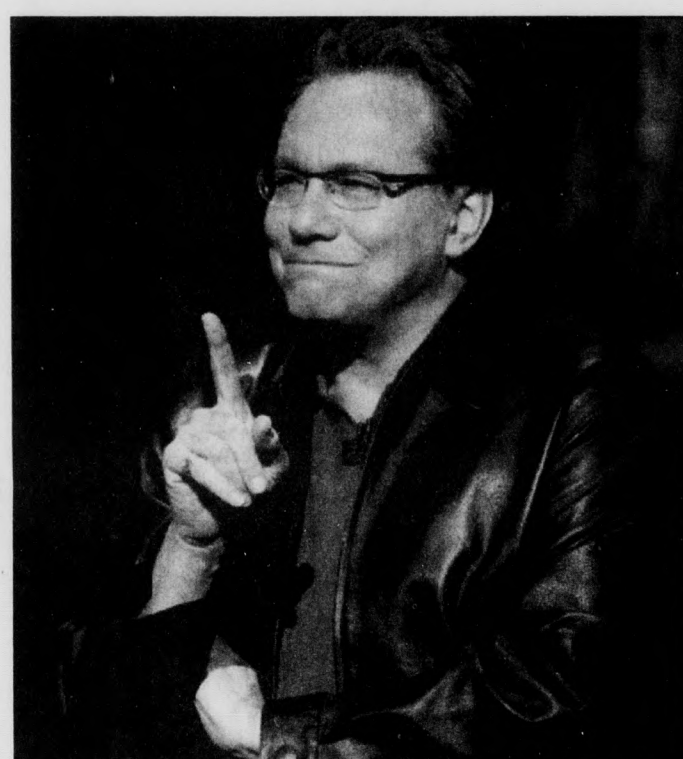
For the first time in recent memory, the University of- ficially closed for a snow day.



Students performed the controversial Ger- man play "Spring Awakening," dealing with teenage sexuality.



John Ashcroft spoke at the University, defending the Patriot Act.



Lewis Black entertained students with his politically-minded humor.



Women's track won the Patriot League Champion- ship for the sixth straight year.

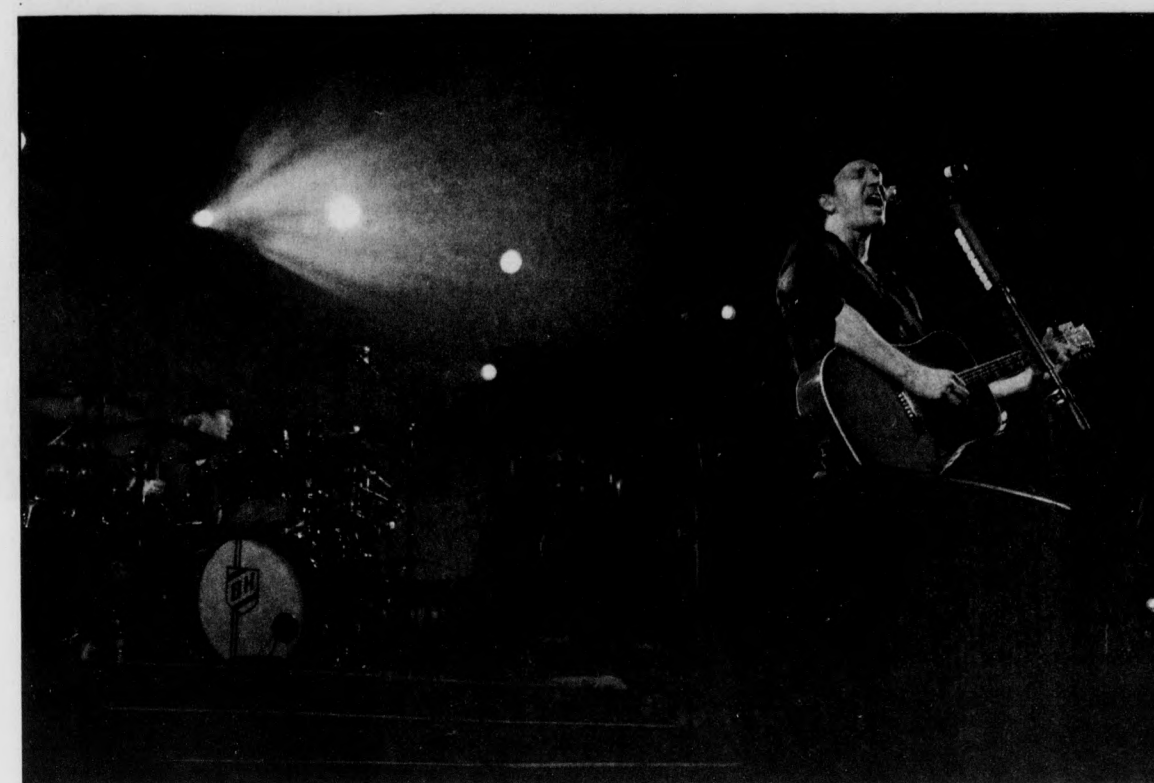


Goo Goo Dolls played at the Spring Concert.



Kanye played at Sojka Pavilion for the Fall Concert.

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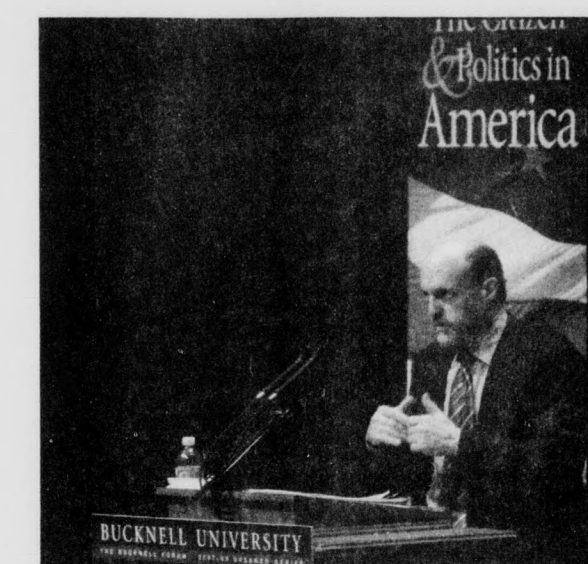
Third Eye Blind rocked Sojka Pavilion for the Spring Concert, which was opened by T-Pain.



Guard Keshia Champion '08 and the wom- en's basketball team played No. 1 seed North Carolina in the NCAA Tournament after winning the Patriot League title.

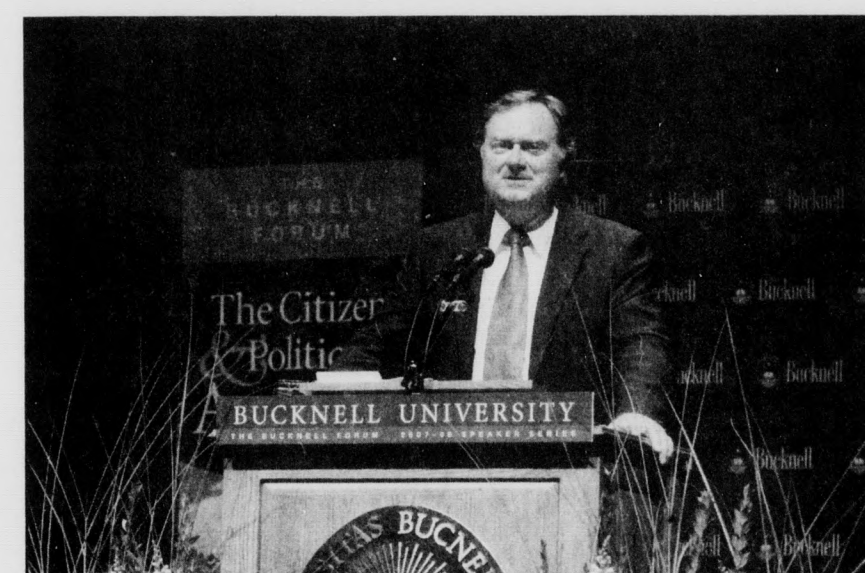


Several students perform in the Vagina Monologues in February.

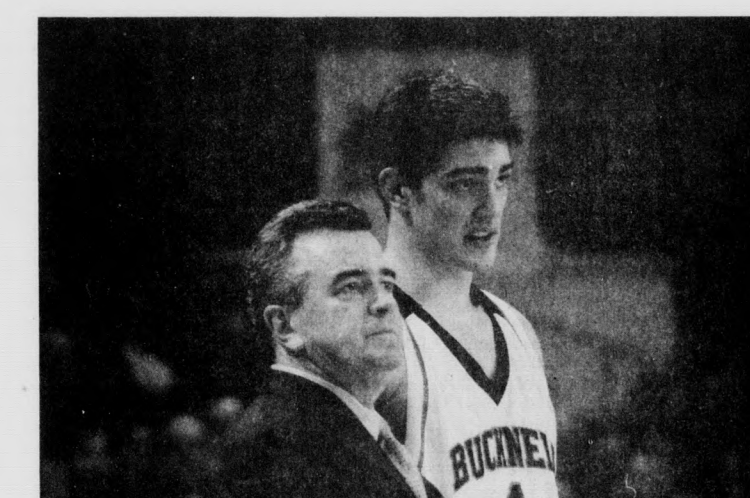


Mad Money's Jim Cramer continued The Bucknell Forum by speaking against laissez-faire government in January.

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Newsman Tim Russert lead off the Bucknell Forum: The Citizen and Politics in America series in the fall.



Men's basketball coach Pat Flannery '80 announced his resignation in April after 14 seasons as head coach.

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Appreciating Simic's poetry

Graduation Speaker's works hint at topics for Commencement speech

By Lindsay Carter
Senior Writer

Poet Laureate Charles Simic is the speaker for the 2008 Commencement Ceremony May 18. Clever and insightful, his poetry explores the beauty of the world and humanity, as well as serious themes pervading it. If he incorporates these into the ceremony, Simic will deliver an inspiring speech showing the Class of 2008 that while there is so much to look forward to after graduation, the world is also full of obstacles to overcome.

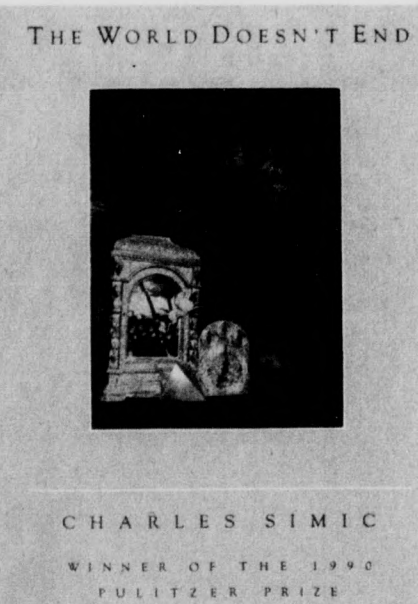
Simic was appointed to the position of Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry Aug. 2, 2007 and will serve one to two years. In this position, he will bring poetry to a wider public audience.

Previous laureates have accomplished this in a variety of ways, including seminars, conferences and innovative means of introducing poetry to schools, newspapers, airports, hospitals and other locations in which poetry gains daily exposure.

Born in 1938 in Belgrade, then part of Yugoslavia, Simic did not speak English until he immigrated to America as a teenager. He grew up in a war-torn area and, upon moving to Chicago, served in the U.S. Army between 1961 and 1963 before graduating from New York University in 1966.

Simic's poetry suggests a person who has had extensive life experiences; his words paint pictures of the world as it is, with every aspect, good and bad.

In 1990, Simic earned the Pulitzer Prize for Poetry for "The World Doesn't End," a book of prose poems. Simic has written 18 books of poetry. His most recent is "That Little Something," released April 7.



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Simic writes in "Orphan Factory," his book of essays and memoirs, "The quality of any experience depends on how aware we are of ourselves while it is taking place." If any single sentence can portray the essence of Simic's poetry, it is this one. Simic's poetry is the representation of his sharp awareness of his surroundings and the events of his life becoming universal through his expression of them.

One poem illustrating Simic's ability to make a story and message out of a typical scene is "Kitchen Helper." In this poem, he uses commonplace themes and imagery from a kitchen to comment on society and humankind.

The poem begins, "I'm your chopping board/Your frying pan/And the knife you mince/ The onions/And cut your finger with/ This poetry enters into the lives of the readers, drawing them in to identify with the scene.

Once he establishes this scene, Simic questions the nature of happiness. He concludes, "Clever cook, let me/steal your glasses for a moment/To peek into the pot/Where the cause of their happiness/Is bubbling over/ With many secret ingredients/And seasonings/Only you know the names of."

Happiness is everywhere, Simic writes, but it can be complex and hard to find.

In "The Cackle," Simic writes more on the complexity of the nature of being, using a creative but accessible image to portray his message. He writes of the world, "Wee-hour world, insoluble world,/You may as well be a goldfish/swimming in a bowl of ink/For all we understand of you." As difficult as it is to understand this world, Simic perseveres as his poetry explores its many aspects and possibilities.

Many of Simic's poems regard nature and its seductive qualities. Simic's poetry acknowledges the peace and restfulness found in nature, but "The Forest Walk" illustrates

the juxtaposition of the natural world and the social world. The poem begins by romanticizing the forest: "Today we took a long walk in the forest/There we met a couple walking/ Arm in arm with eyes closed./The forest is a dream you had/When you were little, they told us."

As the poem progresses, Simic introduces the aspects of society infiltrating this peaceful realm. "Let's stay here tonight, you said/ And I agreed, but then we didn't/You had left the key in the car/And the video store was about to close./We were running now/ We could see the ice-cream truck/We could see the plane's landing lights."

The key, the video store and other worries are beginning to emerge as the class of 2008 prepares to leave the academic and social dream that is the University. There's a world beyond the haven of the forest, writes Simic, and as he may address at commencement, there is a broad world outside of the University just waiting to be explored.

Roth to receive Taylor Medal at Commencement

Prominent alumnus' experiences as undergraduate journalist explored

By Andrew Larson
Senior Editor

Philip Roth '54, perhaps the greatest modern author, loathes much of the attention generated by his own success.

Though an unlikely fan of public spectacle, he will receive the University's most significant award, the Stephen W. Taylor Medal, at Commencement on May 18.

It marks Roth's return to the college campus where he cultivated an outlet—and an audience—for his opinions, fervent and often unconventional.

Roth and the members of his literary clique at Bucknell were favorites of the professors, known for their impassioned debates in class about literature and politics. Roth was driven and serious about his studies, standing out as the kind of student poised for future success. But Roth wasn't a friend to all.

"Those who liked him, liked him very much," said Peter Task '54, who worked under Roth as managing editor of *Et Cetera*. "Those who despised him thought he was damaging society."

During his junior year, Roth became editor-in-chief of the student literary-humor magazine, *Et Cetera*. In the spring issue of 1953, he wrote a scathing attack of *The Bucknellian*, calling it shallow.

Roth was antagonistic, but usually in wry and subtle ways; that changed with the ferocious editorial he published on Jan. 14, 1953. "Reading *The Bucknellian* is like reading a dictionary which has failed to list the meanings of the words within it," he wrote.

An inside spread featured a satirical replication of *The Bucknell-*

ian, which headlines such as "Tri Delt and Phi Phi tie for first in annual cake bake, Phi Mu takes third spot with marble cake." "Library has new exhibit of painting" and "President Hildreth says tomorrow is Friday."

Barbara (Roemer) Gibb '53, the editor-in-chief of *The Bucknellian* at the time, said the attack was unwelcome. She had no contact with Roth prior to or following the incident, and *The Bucknellian* never printed a rebuttal.

"There never was and there won't be a response," Gibb said. While she admires Roth's "tremendous talent" as a writer, she said his critique missed the point of a newspaper.

"You write in a different way for a newspaper," Gibb said. "It shouldn't be creative writing; it's pretty set in the way a person writes. It should be factual with very little personal opinion."

Roth repeatedly declined requests for interviews for this article, but many of his experiences at Bucknell are chronicled in his autobiography, *The Facts: A Novelist's Autobiography*, published in 1988.

As a punishment for the attack on the school newspaper, Roth had to meet with Dean of Men Mal Musser '18 and was told "about the meaning of tradition." He also was censured by the University's Board of Publications.

Afterwards, *The Bucknellian's* Managing Editor Red Macaulay '54 showed up at Roth's dorm room in Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity house, his knuckles clenched, prepared for a fight (it never escalated to physical confrontation, however). Macaulay went on to become a dean at Bloomsburg University.

"It defined me (perhaps in my own mind, primarily) as the college's critical antagonist rather than a boy who secretly still possessed enough of his own high school values to want to be popular and admired," Roth wrote in his autobiography.

The attack led to people calling Roth "un-Bucknell," but his beliefs

stemmed from an earnest desire to improve upon the status quo.

"He wouldn't just argue about literary merits and the role of Oedipus Rex; he saw himself as a doer who wanted to make things better," Tasch said.

In his autobiography, Roth commends his professors as role models and the artsy "dissidents" with whom he became friends, but is largely critical of the superficiality of the college population in general.

He criticized students for being more concerned with themselves than with real-world problems, exhorting those who in the 1952 presidential election voted for Dwight Eisenhower, the war hero, over Adlai Stevenson, the intellectual.

Roth constantly grappled with the question of how writing should balance the demands of readers with the goals of the writer. He thought the purpose of good writing is to entertain, stimulate and enlighten.

In the Jan. 9, 1953 edition of *The Bucknellian*, Roth wrote a letter-to-the-editor about the challenges a student publication faces, a veiled prelude to the criticism he would publish the following week. In the letter, he says Et Cetera sought to achieve "equilibrium," asking "How in Gutenberg's name can you furnish an outlet for those who have talent ... and at the same time present the campus with something of interest and satisfaction?"

"We have plastered our office, crowded as it is, with signs read, 'Maintain the damn equilibrium,'" the letter read.

Early student publications such as *The College Herald* were written in a literary style. At the turn of the 20th century, student publications became increasingly "dithyrambic" in Roth's opinion. He believed that *The Bucknellian* came from the lineage of writing that lacked intellectual stimulation.

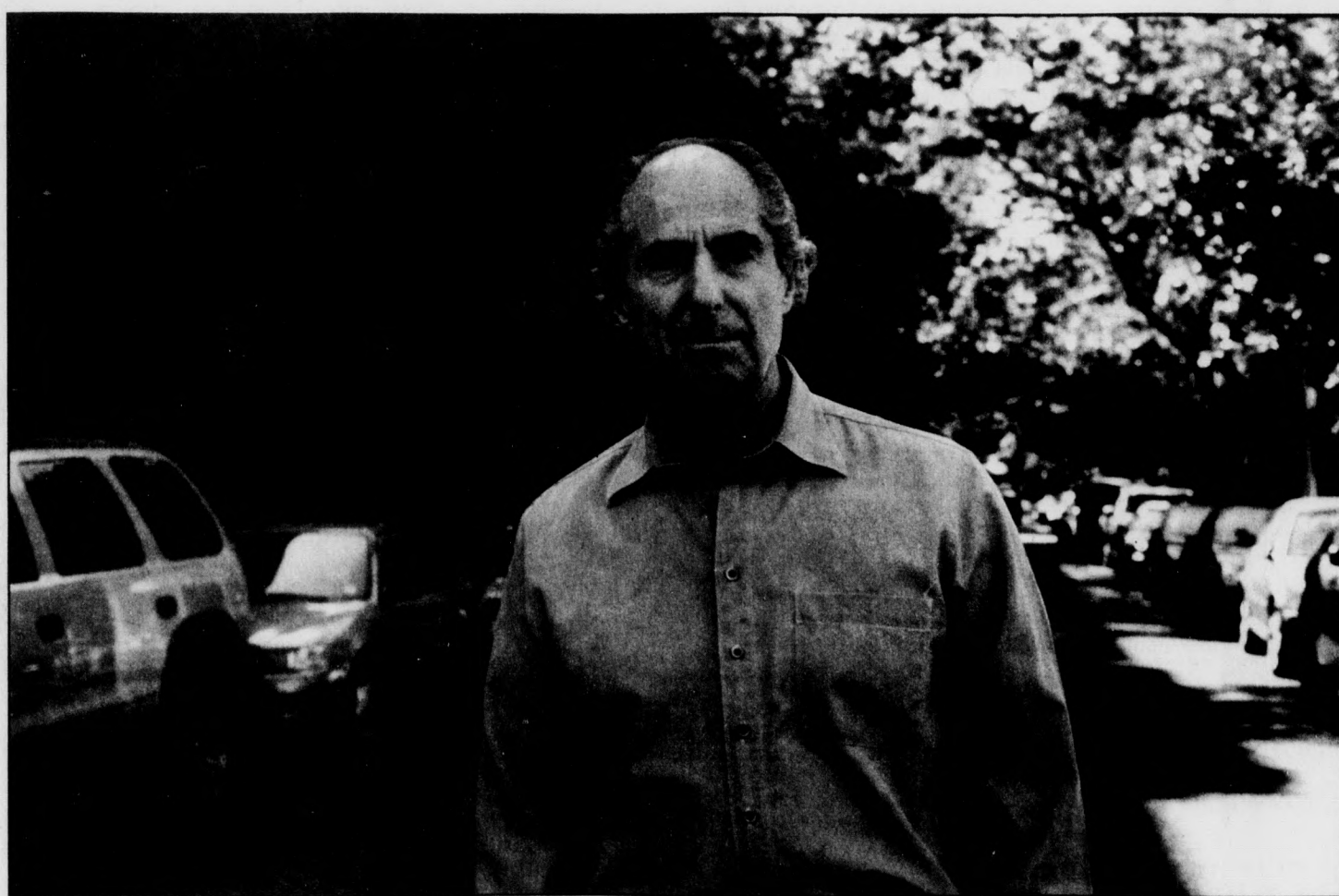
After graduating from Bucknell, Roth earned his master's degree from the University of Chicago, where he taught an introductory writing course. He continued his academic career teaching at University of Iowa, Princeton and University of Pennsylvania. He currently lives in Connecticut, on the border of Cornwall and Warren in a 200-year-old house, and is writing another novel.

Roth has written 29 novels and is one of the most celebrated writers of his era. He won the Pulitzer Prize in 1997 for *American Pastoral* and, in 1998, the National Medal of Arts. In 2002, he received the Gold Medal in Fiction, the highest award of the America Academy of Arts and Letters. Roth is the only living American writer to have his work published in a comprehensive, definitive edition by the Library of America.

Roth's mixed feelings about his rise to popularity mirrors simultaneous fond memories and regrets about his time at Bucknell.

"When we graduated I think people were relieved," Tasch said. "There was a different kind of magazine after we graduated."

Mary Ann Willard, assistant curator for special collections, contributed research for this article.



Phillip Roth '54. Nancy Crompton.



Keeping in touch - How the University can help

By Molly Clay
Former Chief Copy Editor

Note: Original article ran May 20, 2007.

As friends and classmates disperse after graduation, keeping in touch can become a challenging task. Despite the avenues technology has afforded us, the natural fluctuations in life can impede our ability to connect with one another. New jobs and e-mail accounts, cell phone numbers and mailing addresses often create breaches in friendships. But staying in touch is not impossible. Here are a few suggestions that might help sustain many University friendships and connections.

MySpace and Facebook are two popular Web sites graduates might use to keep up with friends. Both are easily accessible and many graduates already use the sites to talk to friends, share information and keep in contact.

A less public route to take involves maintaining updated information with the University Alumni Relations office. Responsible for encouraging an active alumni network, Alumni Relations provides graduates with an alumni e-mail address and is in the process of

and career services, said that the best way to keep in touch with the University after graduation is by "making sure we [Alumni Relations] have current contact information, and letting us know how you want to be kept in touch with."

Denbow said that 300 students participated in this year's senior survey, which will allow graduates' new contact information to be shared with others in their class.

If possible, another great way to catch up with old friends is to actually visit the campus at Homecoming. The fun festivities of the weekend provide a great atmosphere for bumping into old friends and catching up on favorite memories, in addition to exchanging contact information.

Similarly, the Reunion Weekend in late spring provides an opportunity to run into former classmates and renew old relationships.

If you aren't able to visit the University, Alumni Relations has about 25 clubs established around the country and 15 clubs established internationally. The clubs help University alumni get together in their new geographic location and participate in various events, whether it be volunteering or attending a baseball game.

Keeping in touch can be challenging, but there are many outlets available to sustain contact with former classmates and friends. Throughout the many changes that life will bring, maintaining a few regular bases will always help to keep a strong network of friends and acquaintances.



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Reunion Weekend 2008

The weekly campus newspaper of Bucknell University

Special Edition

Reunion Bucknellian: A Continued Tradition

By Lindsey Appenzoller '08

As a testament to the caliber of Bucknell University, we have received fantastic articles for this year's Reunion Bucknellian that far exceeded our expectations! Thanks to the continued support of our diverse alumni base, it is our pleasure to bring to you a Reunion issue comprised of an interesting blend of topics, ranging from exceptional personal achievements to hilarious Bucknell memories.

The first Reunion Bucknellian was published in 2003 as a tribute to the Class of '53. You now have in your hands the third edition, and thanks to the continued hard work of Walt McConnell '53, the Reunion Bucknellian is hopefully on its way to becoming a tradition. Through his position on Bucknell's Alumni Association Board of Directors, his close contact with fellow alumni as class program chair, and his persuasive yet pleasant way with others, Walt has been a tremendous help in obtaining articles to represent each reunion class year. Also, a huge thank you to the Bucknellian editor, Brianna

DeValle '10, and her staff for their tremendous efforts with layout and graphics.

By the time Reunion Weekend rolls around in May, I will have graduated as a member of Bucknell's Class of 2008, and I too will be an alumna. My experience as this year's student editor of the Reunion Bucknellian has provided me with the chance to interact with various Bucknell alumni for the past couple of months. I have been amazed by the willingness and eagerness demonstrated by the contributors to this issue. Alumni and students alike jumped at the opportunity to share their thoughts and memories about Bucknell, provide stories and anecdotes about Bucknell connections, and speak positively on behalf of their fellow classmates. These interactions have proved to me that the "Bucknell family" I have become proud to be a part of during my four years as a student undoubtedly extends far beyond graduation. I hope that members of this community enjoy reading this year's issue as much as I did compiling it.

WELCOME HOME

Welcome home! Greeting generations of Bucknell alumni at Reunion is one of the greatest pleasures of my tenure as President of the Bucknell University Board of Directors. Our four undergraduate years glow brightly on the horizon but returning to campus as years go by is an affirmation that being a Bucknellian can be a rewarding, committed, lifelong relationship. Have a great time at all the events that the Department of Alumni Relations has planned for us and stay connected to Bucknell's bright future. I know that you will enjoy this special Reunion Edition of The Bucknellian. We are deeply indebted to our colleagues who have contributed to its publication. Ray Bucknell!

Richard Humphrey, '74
President of the Bucknell University
Alumni Association



Let me be one of many to welcome you back to campus!

By Karen Landis
Reunion Program Manager

We've been planning for your arrival for the past 18 months and cannot begin to express our excitement that you're finally here. Should you need anything throughout the weekend, do not hesitate to ask any member of our staff in the orange polo shirts or any student ambassador in the navy blue shirts. They are here to ensure your weekend is full of wonderful memories.

Whether you were on campus just last week or have not been back for 20 years, we hope Reunion will give

you a renewed sense of why you love Bucknell and all of the special people you met here. At some point during the weekend, you will be asked to fill out an evaluation or speak with a staff member to evaluate Reunion. I hope you will take part in one or both of these opportunities to provide us with information on how we can make Reunion even better.

For your convenience, the Schedule of Events can be found in many places throughout the weekend: your on-campus guidebook given to you at registration and the electronic message board in Sojka Pavilion. Any



changes to this schedule due to inclement weather will be posted in the lobbies of your residence halls and in Sojka Pavilion.

Karen Landis is Assistant Director for Major Campus Engagements in the Office of Alumni Relations

Dear Bucknellians and Family Members,

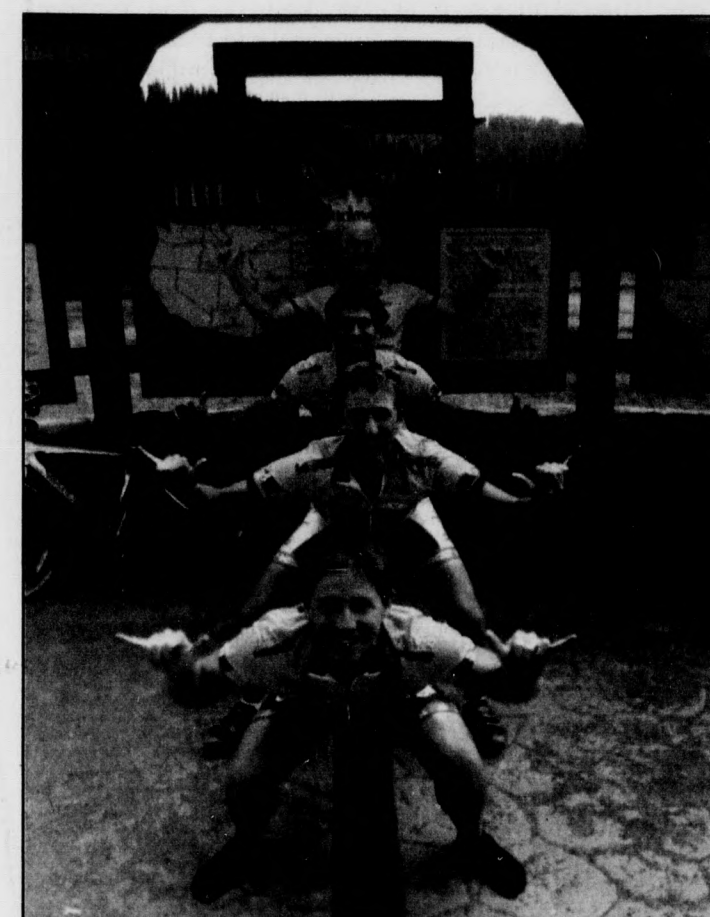
I join with President and Mrs. Mitchell to welcome you home for the 2008 Reunion Weekend at Bucknell. We are delighted that so many of you have traveled from across the country and around the world to visit the campus and reconnect with friends and classmates. We have been anticipating Reunion Weekend all year long. It is a remarkable moment in the life of the university - one that affirms the traditions that make Bucknell so strong while providing energy for our future aspirations. I have been fortunate to meet many Bucknellians who, like you, dedicate their time, energy and resources to their alma mater. Your wonderful stories about Bucknell's past and ideas for its future are truly inspirational. Individually and collectively, you care deeply about this place and the role that it has played in shaping your life. You are peerless among alumni groups and your passion for

Bucknell is an essential element of our entire community of alumni, students, parents, faculty and staff. Please spend time with friends and explore the campus during Reunion Weekend, and also make time to share your ideas and hopes for Bucknell's future with us. Student ambassadors, staff members and the weekend evaluation are all prepared to hear your ideas about how we can serve alumni better while strengthening this great university.

We are grateful for your participation in Reunion Weekend and we want you to remain engaged with Bucknell long after the tents are folded up. You can help Bucknell achieve its extraordinary vision of providing students with the premier undergraduate experience in American higher education. We look forward to traveling that path together.

Enjoy your weekend in Lewisburg,
Sam Lundquist
Vice President
Development and Alumni Relations

Alumni cross-country bike ride raises \$1.2 million for University scholarships



Bucknell alumni pose for picture during their cross-country bike trip

By Walt McConnell '53

Back in the 60s, I was a physician for Frank Arentowicz's high school football team. I never thought that Frank and I would reconnect 38 years later and end up biking across the United States together. At a chance meeting at Bucknell's Homecoming in 2006, Frank told me he wanted to celebrate his 60th birthday by biking across the country. Since that had always been one of my dreams, I offered to join him, and immediately our plans began. Frank had some long time biking friends in Santa Monica from U of Pennsylvania. Soon the idea developed for a fund raising competition to raise scholarship money for Bucknell and Penn. Each university would have a separate team with a decorated support vehicle, a connection with the school website and a goal of \$1 million dollars for its respective alma mater. We would not be "racing" physically, but

striving to see which university could outdo the other in reaching the million mark. What the Penn riders failed to realize, but would eventually discover, was that Frank and I had similar genes. Those genes provided competitive drives that gave us the determination to make Bucknell "Number One."

Frank's friend, Jake Alba, developed a website, alumnibikerace.com. He and his brother Jesse, agreed to join our team to professionally photograph and video our progress in their separate support vehicle. Volunteering to join our team were three enthusiastic, dynamic 2007 Bucknell graduates: Pat O'Mally, Jay Kosa and Kyle Rosendale. Two, as well as Frank, had received scholarships and were motivated "to pay back." We were impressed with their dedication to our goals and loyalty to Bucknell. As the trip developed, their presence and support abso-

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Welcome to Reunion 2008!

By Helen Reetz '78

Welcome to Reunion 2008! While Reunion Weekend has always been a highlight of the campus calendar and has been a wonderful opportunity to renew friendships, I am sure you'll enjoy the enhanced content of the new "affinity-centered" format that encourages reconnection not only with individuals but also with various interest groups, faculty, administration and the University. The Office of Development and Alumni Relations worked hard to keep those elements of Reunion Weekend that many of us hold most dear, like the Tent Party, and to add new activities that will allow us and our families to become engaged in the Bucknell University of today.

As a member of the Alumni Association Board of Directors, I would like to thank every member of the Class of '78 who has volunteered time and talent to the University in the past and to encourage all to become more involved as the Plan for Bucknell moves forward. Our classmates have a great track record of participation in diverse service to Bucknell. The Career Development Center, Bison Club, Admissions Office, Alumni Association Board of Directors, Black Alumni Association Executive Board, GALABI Board of Directors, local Bucknell Clubs throughout the country, Engineering Alumni Association Board of Directors and the University's Board of Trustees are but a few of the groups through which we have given back. We have

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Bucknell – Then and Now

By Laurie Holben Fine '83 P '11

This August I added a new subscript to my name. When attending Bucknell functions, I not only have '83 behind my name, I now have P '11. Yes, I now have a "chip off the old block" as the university likes to refer to legacies.

Our son, Andy, liked most of the schools he looked at and waited until 10 days before the May 1 deadline to decide. He was down to two schools and told us he liked the other one but he just couldn't see himself NOT going to Bucknell. It's been the right choice for him, although maybe not for our bank account! The whole experience has been interesting for me, seeing how the university has changed and how, in many ways, it's still the same.

For those of you who haven't been back, the campus is still beautiful – one of the prettiest of all the schools we looked at. There are many more buildings – residential, academic, and athletic – but they have preserved the architecture and the open feeling. I am grateful that they have kept the lawn between the Langone Center (LC) and Rooke Chapel. As for the LC, my son kept looking at me strangely when I referred to the UC. He had no clue what I was talking about. The UC/LC is pretty much the same as it was in '79 when I started. There are more mailboxes, all singles, so there is no disappointment when you realize the package notice is for your box mate.

Roy Grier Bostwick was wonderful as cafeteria go when we were there, and now even more so. Freshmen are required to take a complete meal plan. The café is open 6 a.m. to 12 midnight every day AND you are allowed unlimited access. No more punching the meal ticket! There are also "declining dollars" to use at the other food places on campus. The café is now set up like a food court

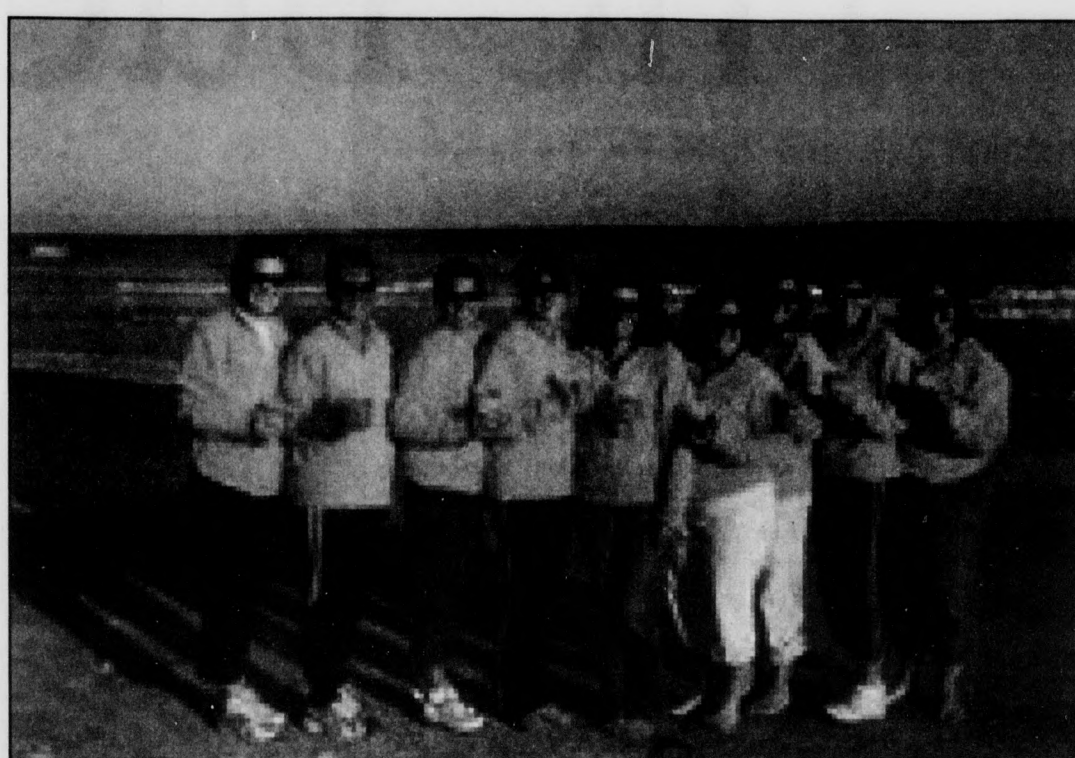
with multiple choices and ice cream everyday. I still remember finals week with the tubs of Bechtel's ice cream for us to gorge on.

The Bison is huge with lots of choices. There is also a coffee shop in the library and a café on Seventh Street. The bookstore looks very much the same as I remember it. There is talk of moving the bookstore out of the LC and into an area that will be a gateway between the university and downtown.

I think the biggest change I have noticed is in residential life. The new buildings have reduced the crowded rooms. My freshman year was spent on 4th Harris with two of us sharing a 9' x 12' box. My son ended up in Vedder (in my day still referred to as New Dorm), in a double with about twice the space I had. His hall is coed. Yes, I said "hall". There are 10 guys and 10 girls on his hall. The part I found most disconcerting was that the dorms are mixed upper class and freshman. No more freshman quad or freshman downhill dorms. Andy's dorm is half freshman, half upper class. I enjoyed the freshman environment both in Harris and living in Roberts as an RA my junior year.

The mods, believe it or not, are still there AND are for sophomores. I think they were temporary housing when we were there! They are now the most desirable housing for sophomores. Seniors now live in the Gateway dorms (apartment style) and off campus (approval required). The university is trying to reduce the number of off campus students.

Bucknell does a wonderful job of acclimating freshman – five days of non-stop fun. If you want to be jealous, go to www.bucknell.edu/2011 and look at the slide shows from August. Activities include PlayFair, Color Games, Carnival – all I remember is a picnic with the other freshman. Orientation Assistants are also new – a girl and a guy for each



Laurie Holben Fine '83 P '11 and friends celebrate in Hilton Head, SC

hall to get the freshman through the first few weeks and be an alternative resource to the RAs.

Downtown has changed but not drastically. The main shops are still there. Newberry's, of course, is gone with a CVS in its place. I remember decorating our room with quality items from Newberry's.

Today's students have a Wal-Mart on Rt. 15. There is also a Perkins and a Damon's Grill. The Campus Theater is still there as well as the Freez. Bechtel's is gone along with the infamous stolen cow which is now on loan to another business. Downtown Lew-

isburg is still a quaint, charming place with many independent shops.

It's been a lot of fun this past year watching Andy have a wonderful time at his alma mater, experiencing a lot of the things I did while at Bucknell. I had John Miller for the first semester that he taught Management 101. In a strange twist of fate, Andy has him this semester for the last time he will teach the course.

All in all, it's nice to know that "the bubble" has not changed all that much!

Alumni cyclists fundraise in friendly competition

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lutely gave us an advantage over Penn.

Our route was to take us 3,050 miles, starting in Santa Monica, CA, and finishing in Atlantic City, NJ. During the planning stage in June, Frank and I scouted out the route through Los Angeles and, in our Bucknell riding uniforms, had pictures taken with our bikes, standing in the Pacific Ocean, close to our eventual starting point. On September 9th at 5:30 a.m. we were off for our first day's ride to Palm Springs. We would then follow the Race Across America (RAAM) course. Every June, four-person cyclist teams bike day and night, crossing the country in 8-9 days. We decided to bike during the day only and set up a 19-day schedule to arrive in Atlantic City on September 27th, averaging 170 miles per day. We cycled through California, Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Delaware and New Jersey.

The 14-state route took us through desert, Navajo and Ute Indian lands, Utah's Monument Valley, 8% grades over the 10,550 foot continental divide, the flats of Kansas, Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri, farmlands and rolling hills of middle America, the toughest hills and most daily vertical climbs through West Virginia, Pennsylvania's Gettysburg battlefields and "horse and buggy" country, and finally flat South New Jersey to the ocean off Atlantic City. Overall, our total climbing would exceed 100,000 vertical feet. Going West to East was supposed to guarantee tail winds to push us along. Instead we had 19 days of head and cross winds, reaching 25-35 mph gusts one day in Kansas. The only tail wind was a 5 mile-per-hour stretch in Kansas where we were propelled at 35 mph. Temperatures hit 90 degrees every day and the hottest was 109 degrees in the California desert. The weather was clear and sunny over the entire route with one short shower as we entered West Virginia. We crossed six major rivers: the

Arkansas, Missouri, Mississippi, Ohio, Susquehanna and Delaware.

Memories of the trip will last a lifetime. Cycling across the varied terrain of the United States gives me an even greater appreciation of what our country is about. It is difficult to single out any one area, as there are distinctive, beautiful places from the desert to the Rockies, to the flats and rolling hills, vast farmlands, mighty rivers, small towns and great cities situated between two ecologically diverse oceans. What a thrill to experience all of this at 15-20 mph instead of flying over in an airliner or at 70 plus mph on a super highway! Our route took us through the countryside and in contact with people. Our sag wagons advertised what we were trying to accomplish. Along the way, truckers tooted, motorists waved and yelled encouragement, motorcyclists pulled along side to cheer us on and, at every stop, people wished us safety and success.

As the five Bucknellians rolled together into Atlantic City on the 27th of September, we knew we had surpassed our goal and beaten Penn. We raised over \$1 million for Bucknell Scholarships! We were now three generations of Bucknellians bonded by our efforts and camaraderie. We yelled and howled as we ran across the beach and dove into the Atlantic. Goal accomplished!

Our final adrenaline rush was riding together into the Bucknell stadium before the Marist football game where Frank presented the game ball and I proudly gave a simulated check to alumni officials. We had experienced our great country and its people. Now we were thrilled to pay back wonderful Bucknell that had given so much to us.

Personally, Bucknell gave me my life of 54 years (we met the first week), prepared me for medical school and my life's work and taught me tolerance through my fraternity, Phi Lambda Theta (one of only five non-sectarian interracial fraternities in the US at the time). I am very proud to have been part of this effort to give back to Bucknell.

By Kathryn Wrightson Abbott '98

When we were students at Bucknell, we often heard the term "Bucknell community." It was evident what that meant while we were on campus and furthermore, it was easy to be part of. Bucknell was our home – we attended classes, joined organizations, socialized and lived with our community members. Graduation changed all that. For most of us, Bucknell was no longer where we lived. Our daily rhythms changed as we transitioned from the world of education to the world of work. Gone were our peers, replaced by people of all ages and in different stages of life. We faced new challenges and new opportunities. One of those challenges was leaving the on-campus Bucknell community and joining the global Bucknell community. Now, as alumni, how can we define the term Bucknell community?

There are many ways to define the word "community," a word which dates back to the 14th century. The Oxford American Dictionary provides eight main definitions. As students we closely fit the first definition "all the people living in a specific locality" and now as

alumni we more closely fit: "a body of people having a religion, profession, etc in common."

But I don't find these definitions satisfying as a way to capture my feeling about the Bucknell community and richness of my experience as a student and as an alumna. So, to gain some insight into other meanings of community, I asked some Bucknell professors to provide definitions on the meaning of community from their subject matter perspective.

Professor Tammy Hiller, of the Management Department focuses intensely on the issues of community in her Management 101 course. Following is a brief excerpt from MGMT 101: Live Introduction to Organization and Management (48th edition, 2007) by J. A. Miller & T. B. Hiller. From a management perspective, "the theme of community deals with the effects on individual identities and on organizational performance of membership in social systems, and with the trust and shared expectations that arise among individuals and societies. Community involves the sense of connectedness, or lack thereof, among people, and addresses the needs and limitations of the specific human beings whose voluntary

commitments are required for organizational accomplishment and whose lives are affected by managerial decisions and actions. A healthy sense of community represents a reservoir of support and trust that makes it safe for people to take risks and to grow; an unhealthy community can become a cauldron of mistrust and threat that stifles creativity and saps human energy."

Professor Kim Daubman of the Psychology department, who teaches psychology and women's studies, said, "The way community is understood in psychology is probably quite similar to the everyday use of the term. A community is a group of individuals who are interdependent upon each other and who typically share a common identity."

Professor Meenakshi Ponnuswami of the English Department focuses on modern drama, theatre history, and performance theory in her classes. She explained community in this way: "The concept of 'community' is centrally important in my field, modern drama and theatre studies. That's because theatre is fundamentally a communal practice – to adapt that wretched cliché, it takes a village to stage a play. But it's also interesting to consider how the act of watching

a play can turn an audience into a village. Theatre has an amazing capacity to remind an audience that it is a community, that is, to collectivize and communalize it. That sounds a bit Stalinist, and has been so, but modern theatres have typically worked for the public good, to awaken and arouse and energize their communities."

Professor Carl Milofsky, of the Sociology and Anthropology department, who has conducted several community studies and has students doing field research in the local community said, "In my sociology classes we relate to community in terms of place, in terms of shared identity, in terms of common mission or purpose, and in terms of networks in which people relate on many levels. Central Pennsylvania has unusually 'thick' communities. Bucknell sits in the middle of a natural geographical area – the Central Susquehanna Valley – with towns whose residents are tied together through strong networks and who are served by organizations that are involved in and connected to the towns they serve. The intensity of these connections often surprises Bucknell students who come from cities and less tightly wound communities. Participation and

civil society are intense here and in an age when we bemoan the decline of civil society and political participation it is unique to encounter where community is strong and robust."

The meaning of community is clearly as unique as each individual's perspective. So now, I offer my own: As alumni we are part of an international community that celebrates the experience of having attended and graduated from Bucknell University. As students we were mainly limited to our community of on-campus students, faculty and staff – as alumni we have the Bucknell connection and sense of community with practically anyone who ever set foot on campus. The Bucknell experience that each of us had transcends age, gender, race, ethnicity, cultural perspectives and even time – our experience at Bucknell connects us to Bucknellians past, present and to those yet to come. How often does one see a bumper sticker, hat or sweatshirt and not say hello to the person sporting the orange and blue? It is when we reach out and shake hands, exchange a greeting and a smile and share a memory of Bucknell that we both deepen and connect with our Bucknell community and renew our community spirit.

Heart and Soul

Reflections on and Gratitude for Seventh Street House Experience

By Rochelle Peterson '88

When I thought about what I would write on my years at Bucknell, I tried to think of my most meaningful experiences. While I have to pay homage to Karen Dugger, Carl Milofsky and Leslie Patrick-Stamp for all that they have done, I have to say it was the sense of community I received, primarily, from the black women at the University that played a pivotal role in my early years. As a 16-year-old college student, belonging was EXTREMELY important to me. I distinctly remember Vernese and Shari coming to my room to welcome me to school and invite me over to Seventh Street House (The House for African American Studies for Women) which would become a center for most of my social life at the University. I met many upperclassmen at "Seventh Street" who took a special interest in mentoring new students. We hung out and just watched television. It was the main spot for afternoon soaps even for some of the guys who indulged. We had parties, we talked about any and everything that crossed our young minds. We held programs there. And, most importantly, we made Bucknell home for many black students at that house.

Some time after that first week, I began to receive inspirational messages either under my room door or in my campus mailbox from someone who called herself my "Bucknell Big Sister". I had no idea who this was, but, I was secretly THRILLED that someone cared enough about me to make sure I felt good about myself and felt that I belonged. Many things happened in the Fall of 1984 when I was a first semester freshman that had a major impact on my stay at Bucknell, but I am pretty sure that this "Big Sister" had the greatest impact.

Besides realizing that my goals to be an OB/GYN would be abruptly changed by the mid-semester grade I had in my biology class that caused a major meltdown, I remember the Dean of the College bringing me into her office to discuss my options which ultimately resulted in me dropping the course. While I don't remember the conversation, I remember the feeling. I remember feeling that she believed in me and that she wanted to help me look at the choices I would not have known I had without her telling me. She knew that while these choices were in the catalogue and the student handbook, neither I, nor most other students, would look at those books for answers to our questions. Frankly, I did not know the questions to ask. She gave me just what I needed, when I needed it, and how I needed it.

And there, once again, was my Big Sister with her words of encouragement. I may have even received some chocolate candies. I don't know. Nevertheless, there was always something special for every major moment in my life at Bucknell. It was intriguing to my quite analytical mind too, because I still did not know who she was. She was obviously someone I knew or someone who knew my closest friends at the time because she knew my business.

The ultimate moment I remember with cer-

tain clarity was when I was totally distraught by a phone call I received from my mother. She called one Friday night when I had fallen asleep on the couch at Seventh Street, which I did often. That night and many hours into the next morning she had called my room and I wasn't there. We didn't have answering machines at that time, just those big black (rotary) phones in our rooms. I had a single so I didn't have a roommate to answer for me either. Finally, some time the next day, I was in the room and received my mother's call. With-



out going into detail, I was accused of doing everything under the sun because I was not in my room overnight. You have to remember, I was a 16-year-old girl, three hours away from her reach. Mom still had not accepted that her eldest child was gone yet. This call left me devastated, not only that my mother would think those things of me, but, because I had just fallen asleep on the couch at Seventh Street. I went to Tammy Welch, the RA at Seventh Street House to cry and tell her what my mom said and ask for advice. She shared some words of wisdom and consoled me until I felt better. I remember feeling like I wasn't the only one going through challenges with being the first in my family to go away to college and only the second person to go to college at all. I wished she was my "Big Sister" and, as it turned out, she was!

The love and support I received from having a Big Sister was not unique for Tammy and me. I'd dare say that, most, if not all, of the first year women who participated had the same kind of relationships with their big sisters. I believe this program, created for the students by the students, made the difference between me just surviving and thriving at the University. I gave back by becoming a Big Sister and only hope I did half as much for my Little Sisters as was done for me. In fact, as a college student support services professional and instructor over the last 20 years, I drew from that experience to mentor and help others mentor college students, particularly those in small numbers, at the institutions where I have worked.

This program has survived over the past 20 years. If it hasn't and the question still remains "how can we increase satisfaction among our students of color", I highly urge whoever can make it happen, to revive this program for women and men. And, maybe the heart and soul of Seventh Street House can be revived again as well.

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My BOF Experience



By Stephanie Tetlow '11

I arrived at Bucknell University in August of 2007 excited... and nervous. I had spent the entire summer trucking it between a sweetbox on the beach serving food to pushy, aggravating swimmers, and an icebox in the suburbs sitting at a desk with no sense of the world outside. I was ready to spread my wings and fly far away from the cage of hot dog grease and ringing phones, but a part of me wanted to stay too. I wanted to stay with my mom and dad, my big brother and little sister, in a world familiar and safe. College seemed so scary. How would I fit in? Heck, how would I survive? I hadn't been away from home for longer than two weeks.

How was I going to live without my family and more importantly my own room for a whole three months?

I suppose that was a big part of why I chose to do Building on Foundations (BOF). The program advertised itself as a great way to meet 50 other freshmen before orientation even started. Not that I was (or

am) completely socially inept or that BOF didn't have other attractive qualities, but I've never been a big fan of first-meeting awkwardness. I chose BOF to transition smoothly into the unknown world of college, and I couldn't have made a better

choice. From the moment I walked into the LC Mall to the sound of my name being yelled by 10 counselors on an energy-drink high, any doubts about Bucknell left my mind.

The next four days were a blur. Beginning with get-to-know-you games and some fun

counselor antics, I adjusted into the world without parents or complete structure. Community service taught me so much about my duty as a member of a community to give back. Team-building exercises brought me closer to my team members and forced me to see the effects of my attitude on a group project. The next day, I learned about diversity, something sorely lacking in my hometown. I learned how stereotypes come to be applied and how they change relationships. And then I learned about how much I can impact others. In four short days I made a connection with all of the BOFers that would always exist regardless of how much we talked in the coming months.

BOF ended with a trip to a swimming pool and one evening of relaxation before the beginning of orientation and responsibilities. I felt comfortable and even excited to meet my hallmates and begin life as a freshman in the class of 2011 at Bucknell University. I was certain that I would make it through three months, and I would become whatever I wanted to be.

Enrich your relationship with the University at Reunion

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hosted Bison Gatherings to welcome incoming students to the Bucknell family, have written for Bucknell World (now Bucknell Magazine), have served as guest lecturers in several academic areas and have picked up telephones and more recently dashed off emails as members of Capital Giving Committees, Regional Campaign Committees, and Reunion Gift Committees. Thank you for all the hard work these past 30 years!

This weekend is a great time to think about new ways to become engaged, too. Maybe your family and work lives finally allow more time for volunteer-

ing. Maybe the University has an unmet need for which you're just the right person – your company has an internship or externship opening or you live in an area with a Bucknell Club just waiting to be revitalized. Your lifelong relationship with Bucknell will change and this could be just the time to find the portal to your next opportunity to engage with students here now, as a guest lecturer or resource for a student activity group, potential Bucknellians now in high school as an alumni admissions volunteer, and with fellow alumni from classes before and after through the Career Development Center. Browse the Reunion Schedule Events

and check out an event hosted by a group new to the university since we were students or one that centers on an interest you may have now that you did not then – you will be impressed by each group's enthusiasm and may find the perfect opportunity for you. Even if you cannot attend every event that interests you, be sure to check out B-link when you get home (www.b-link.bucknell.edu). It is an exceptional tool that will allow you to make those connections you may have missed and to allow others to reach out to you.

Once again, welcome back to campus. Best wishes for a fulfilled and friend-filled Reunion Weekend and 'Ray Bucknell!

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During Reunion Weekend, connect with everyone you miss! Send a note to classmates who couldn't attend, and check out photos of the weekend activities while you're here.

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Bucknell Trivia

By Jenna Camann '07

1. BUCKNELL IS WHAT NUMBER IN THE ORDER OF FOUNDING AMONG AMERICAN INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING?
2. WHAT WAS BUCKNELL'S FIRST YEAR DIRECTORY ORIGINALLY CALLED?
3. WHAT IS THE NAME OF OUR ALMA MATER?
4. WHAT FRATERNITY WAS THE FIRST FRATERNITY AT BUCKNELL IN 1885?
5. WHAT BUCKNELL PRESIDENT WROTE AN ESSAY IN 1957 TITLED "A DESIGN FOR EXCELLENCE"?
6. WHAT WAS BUCKNELL'S FEMALE EQUIVALENT TO THE BISON CHIPS IN THE 80s?
7. WHAT DID STUDENTS USED TO CALL THE LC?
8. WHAT TYPE OF ARCHITECTURE ARE THE BUILDINGS ON CAMPUS?
9. WHAT BUCKNELL BUILDING WAS THE LARGEST COLLEGIATE BUILDING IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY IN ITS DAY?
10. WHY DID THE ENTIRE CAMPUS CLOSE IN 1863?
11. WHAT IS THE PRESENT DAY NAME OF REUNION HALL?

Answers:

1. One hundred, 2. Freshman Illustrated, 3. Dear Bucknell, 4. Phi Kappa Psi, 5. Merle Ogden, 6. The Sem Gems, 7. The LC, 8. Georgian, 9. Roberts Hall, 10. Civil War, 11. Bucknell Hall

Blogging as Dance

By Neil Hendershot '73

I am an attorney in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, who writes a legal blog, named the "PA Elder, Estate & Fiduciary Law Blog". It is a time-consuming extracurricular activity, separated from my private law practice, but meaningful for me and (I like to think) useful for others.

My blog project was born from a passion to learn and teach, is maintained by my professional pride, but can only be justified or understood as an extension of my personal "purpose" in life, displayed through a new technological medium.

Yet, I trace the blog's roots back 35 years, to Bucknell University, when I was an undergraduate English major.

Why did I select English as a major? Expression skills -- both written & spoken -- that's what I sought originally. In honing those skills, I hoped that my thinking could be clearer and more effective, thereby advancing both myself and others towards what would be right and good. (Remember, it was the end of the sixties.)

A few years ago, two sponsors of Garrison Keeler's "Prairie Home Companion", broadcast on National Public Radio, memorialized my reasons in radio plays. The Partnership of English Majors asserted: "If you're an English major, you have many advantages in this world and you ought to use them. The ability to express yourself readily, gracefully, sensitively, for example. An enormous advantage." (English Majors Script, January 15, 2005). The Professional Organization of English Majors advocated: "English...you're going to be speaking it for the rest of your life so why not get good at it. Major in English." (English Majors Script, June 4, 2005).

Then I took classes taught by Professor John ("Jack") Wheatcroft. He was a recognized poet & writer; and he read his works in public. Later, I requested him to be my faculty advisor. I remember him still, very dearly, although I doubt that he remembered me beyond my graduation.

From our periodic course selection meetings in his office in the Vaughan Lit Building and from classes, I remember best his eyes and his hands. His eyes seemed almost four-dimensional. Looking in his dark eyes, I could feel energy and compassion radiating from his soul. His outward gaze ranged around like a sheriff's search light. When the beam landed on me, I felt he could see inside my soul. He usually moved around while speaking, accenting his words with gentle gestures. His hands -- they were the delivery system for his words onto a page -- also were active when he spoke words.

Jack not only knew about the literature's techniques; he really felt the meaning. I usually remained baffled by both.

I recall once questioning in small seminar on poetry how he could refer to a piece by William Carlos Williams (see photo above) as "poetry". The writing did not rhyme; had broken lines that ran on; failed rules of punctuation; did not have a beginning, middle, or end; neglected a message; and was even a bit obscene. I just did not get it. What did he see in this "poetry"?

I still remember that poem, to which I offered protest:

Danse Russe
If I when my wife is sleeping
and the baby and Kathleen
are sleeping
and the sun is a flame-white disc
in silken mists
above shining trees, --
if I in my north room
dance naked, grotesquely
before my mirror
waving my shirt round my head
and singing softly to myself:
"I am lonely, lonely.
I was born to be lonely,
I am best so!"
If I admire my arms, my face,
my shoulders, flanks, buttocks
again the yellow drawn shades, --
Who shall say I am not
the happy genius of my household?

I often left his office or his classroom awed, like a kid who just got a pat on the back from a grass-stained college quarterback after a game. If he represented the heart and the head of a person who loved words and who wrote, then I wanted to be like him.

Jack Wheatcroft listened to my protest, and responded, but did not argue. He observed that I viewed it rationally, while the poem is an experience. It describes a feeling, but does so in words with discipline, clarity, and conciseness. As such an expression, it is a poem.

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I graduated from Bucknell into The Dickinson School of Law (now part of Penn State). In that competitive study, I found very little sensitivity or intuition revealed in the casebook method -- outlining of cases and then cross-examinations by professors.

Yet, I had been touched by the magic that I had observed in Jack Wheatcroft and other role models at Bucknell. He & other professors, like Bert Hill & Allen Flock, and administrators at Bucknell, like Jim Hamerlee, Jack Pyper, & Charles Watts, had changed me. So, I followed a personal discipline outside of legal class work. I wrote daily journals and poetry. I read outside of law subjects when I could. In a few years, I had read every book of poetry by William Carlos Williams still in print. I even visited his hometown in Patterson, New Jersey to see where he lived his dual life of physician and poet.

Today, my writing mostly remains oriented towards the law. I don't write poetry anymore. But I do still write journal entries. And I constantly read books on new

& challenging topics.

In 2000, I also became a part-time teacher -- an Adjunct Professor at Widener University Law School (Harrisburg, PA Campus). In August, 2006, in response to inquiries from the students in my Elder Law class as to the "real world" relevancy of the subject matter, I began the blog.

This is its purpose:

"A blog & resource by a practicing & teaching lawyer in Pennsylvania for law students, consumers, & professionals about Elder Law, senior lifestyles, long-term care, 'End-of-Life' & health care surrogate decision-making, estate & personal planning, fiduciary administrations (by agents under powers of attorney, custodians, guardians, executors/administrators, & trustees), elders' dispute resolution, and Orphans' Court litigation in this Commonwealth, with reference to trends nationally."

I have made over 400 postings, most of them written by me, on such topics. I have contemplated U.S. Supreme Court decisions, shooting massacres, model court account templates & standard petition forms, the history of the Orphans' Court, suicide by elders, Medicare & Medicaid reform, investment advisor duties to clients, cons & scams that steal from seniors, the art of obituaries, memorial music for mourning, end-of-life medical protocols, books on legal subjects, continuing legal education courses, estate planning for pet owners, the afterlife as investigated by science, the occupation of Scrooge, results of voting for judges, disposal of human remains, the death of Captain America, famous last wills, funky funeral plans, caregiver burnout, effects of dementia, long-term care insurance, use of Nintendo's Wii game system by elders to bowl virtually, alternative dispute resolution for the families of elders, new tax law interpretations, memorials for beloved Pennsylvanians, and a host of other topics.

The blog now gets about 400-500 hits a day, and lately surpassed 125,000 hits.

I am the only one who has worked on its setup, and I decide on its content. I write most of its content. I did not enable comments by readers to assure control, although I routinely update postings. I have hosted a few esteemed "guest contributors", lately.

And now, finally, from writing this blog in a manner as I imagine Williams wrote his poetry, I think that I have come to understand better his poem and Jack Wheatcroft's joy in it.

It is on this blog where I have finally become "the happy genius of my household". Like William Carlos Williams -- the poet who remained a practicing physician all his life -- I have been able to dance like a writer while remaining a lawyer.

To students at Bucknell now, I would say, look deeply into the eyes of your professors, and watch their hands. If you are inspired by their passion and impressed by their skills, mimic them. Someday you can become an extension of them, just as they became an extension of their teachers.

And someday, in some way, you too will become the happy genius of your own household.

Remember When? Headlines from The Bucknellian

1953

"Senior Class Elects 28 Members to Who's Who"
"It's May in March" at Annual Senior Prom

"Herber Gezork to Give Address on Topic of Communism"
"Easter Vacation canceled!"
"Hildreth Awaits Senate Approval of Pakistan Appointment"
"Senior Weekend to Feature Jamboree"

1958

"Greek Sponsor Ambassador of Jazz"
"Year of Decision Face U.S."
"Dr. Martin Luther King Describes Full Living"
"BU Upsets Lehigh for Biggest Win"
Dr. Harold W. Dobbs Addresses Seniors

1963

"Basketballers capture Downeast Classic: First Tournament Victory in BU History"
"Peace Corps Plans to Double in '63"
Bucknell Accepts Bid for GE College Bowl"
"Cuban Students Probe National Problem"
"Dr. Andrew W. Cordier to Speak Here Monday"
"Carl the Barber" 10 Years Still Going

1968

"Longly Probes Policies-Opens Avenues of Inquiry to Students"
"Purnell Speaks on Vietnam"
"Big Blue Tankers Travel to NCAA Championship"
"Students Asked to Strike for End of Vietnam War"

1973

"Society Avoids Real Abortion Issue"
"Students Lobby in Washington"
"Over 1,000 Students enroll in January"
"Democrats Survive Despite Landslide"
"1,200 Sign Boycott Petition"

1978

"Hey You! Want a Knuckle Sandwich?"
"The Changing Role of the CIA in an Ever Changing World"
"Don't Assume Everything You are Taught is True"

"Cable TV Leaves the Shadows"

"Journalist Bob Woodward Addresses Packed Audience"
"Today's Student: A Different Breed"

1983

"Tuition & Fees up \$1,050; hit \$10, 610"
"Monday opening for Terrace Room"
"Lambda Chi Alpha folds"
"Auto teller will be used on campus next semester"
"Third floor UC finally opens"
"Bull Run Inn raided"
"NAACP chapter started at Bucknell"

1988

"Blind Freshman Enrolls"
"Bucknellian Celebrates 100th Volume"
"Roaring Flood Rages Bucknell Campus"
"Market Crash to Precede Depression?"
"Dancing to Honor the King"
"Bison Baseball Squad Ends Positively"

1993

"College Democrats, Republicans Organize Pre-election"
"Pizza Tradition at Bucknell Carries On"
"Women's Soccer Sneaks into Playoffs"
"Market Street gets a Holiday Facelift"
"Philip Roth Swings Back into Operation"

1998

"Students Travel to Washington for 11th Annual AIDS March"
"Awareness in Action: The Residential College Program"
"Mixed Class Housing Adopted for Coming Year"
"Women Hoopsters still Undeclared at Home"
"Students respond to White House Scandal"
"Will House Party affect Spring Weekend"

2003

"Sojka Pavilion open for business"
"Kidnappers return Bucky the Bison"
"Gadd, 55, passes away after lengthy battle with cancer"
"Good Luck John hospitalized"
"Construction of engineering building to begin in spring"

My Bucknell Legacy

By Geoff Hallett '10
Reunion Student
Ambassador Coordinator



My Bucknell Legacy began April 16, 2005, during my first visit to Bucknell, while I was still in high school. When I first came to Bucknell, it was a beautiful spring morning, and I absolutely loved the portrait-like appearance of the Bucknell campus. I told myself not to fall too quickly because Bucknell was only the first of many places I would visit on my tour of colleges in the northeast.

If it weren't already obvious, I ultimately chose Bucknell, and I have not been disappointed in the least. Everything is exactly as I expected it to be, and from the moment I stepped onto campus, I began to get involved in the seemingly infinite number of activities and possibilities that awaited me around every corner. In my first semester, I joined the Student Calling Program where I have an opportunity to talk with alumni of all ages, to reacquaint them with the everyday happenings here at Bucknell and to learn about their experiences. In what seemed like the blink of an eye, my first semester came to a close, but I had become part of the Bucknell family.

My legacy did not end there. I became a Resident Assistant, and found that I would be responsible for counseling the "first-years" who would follow after me. It was important to ensure that my residents uphold the traditions of Bucknell, including participating in and appreciating events such as First Night, Convocation, Matriculation, Bison Basketball, Bison Mania, and other similar university events.

It was my involvement in the Student Calling and RA Programs that first drew me to the Reunion Program. From my previous experiences, I knew that Reunion is one of the most important activities that Bucknell conducts each year. It provides opportunities for everyone involved. For the faculty, it provides an opportunity to see their past students, or to find alumni who are willing to give

presentations in their courses. For the administration, it is an opportunity to gather feedback on university policies and practices, and to gather support for new policies. For students, Reunion presents them with the prospect of meeting alumni with the same major who work in the industry they want to go into, or to talk with them about similar interests shared during their respective Bucknell experiences. Students can find members of their fraternity or sorority to talk with about the changes in that aspect of campus. The possibilities seem limitless.

However, as might be expected, Reunion Weekend is most important to the alumni who attend. For you, the alumni, Reunion provides a chance to visit with your former professors and thank them for preparing you for life after Bucknell (or the opposite as the case may be!). You can catch up with old friends and reminisce about the "good old days" at Bucknell. You can visit your old dorm room and wonder how you ever lived in such a room. You can do all these things while still inspecting the new additions to the campus that have always added to the atmosphere of Bucknell and never taken away from the feel that one gets while visiting the place that you called home for the best, and most influential, four years of your life.

So, without further ado, enjoy Reunion Weekend 2008, and: Welcome Home Bucknell Alumni!!



Reunion 2007 attendees enjoy the fireworks display.

Memories from the Class of 1968

By Susan Elkow '68

Several members of the Class of '68 answered a request to send a list of Bucknell memories for inclusion in the 2008 Reunion Bucknellian. The Class of '68 hopes that these memories bring a smile to your face if you are from our "era," and if not, that they prompt you "youngsters" to look for those of us with '68 nametags throughout the weekend and ask about these memories:

—Wearing Bucknell beanies or "dinks" and big name signs (front and back) for our first weeks as freshmen, having to sing the Alma Mater for any upperclassmen or women who stopped us and requested it

—Girls who had nine o'clock curfews on week nights and 11 o'clock curfews on weekends until Thanksgiving

—Not being allowed to leave campus until the end of October during freshman year

—A football stadium with male spectators dressed in jackets and ties and their female dates in suits/cocktail dresses stockings and heels

—Eating pizzaburgers at the Sweet Shop while we played six songs for a quarter in the juke box (favorites: "That Sunday, That Summer," "This Diamond Ring," and "Chances Are")

—Dorms and cafeterias that were

same sex: women at the bottom of the hill in the "sem" (thus the name "Sem Gems") and the men up on the hill

—The lady in Larison who did laundry and returned it, folded beautifully, for \$1.00 a bag.

—Freshman hall groups that named themselves ("The Roaring 20," "Idiot's Aisle," "Crackpot Corner") each assigned to a Junior Counselor and having ONE PHONE for the 15-20 students who lived there

—Having phone duty where you answered the phone for the whole hall and called out the name of the person receiving a phone call, unless it was during "quiet hours" (you went to the room and told the person)

—The Freshman Directory with all

Girls had to wear skirts or dresses to meals in Larison Dining Room

of our high school pictures and home towns...a real face book where we recorded people we met

—Freshmen who avoided walking in front of either SAE or SAM, terrified of what might happen

—Girls had to wear skirts/dresses to meals in Larison Dining Room

—The Duck Walk where fresh-

man girls linked hands between their legs and walked bent over in front of the fraternities while buckets of water and other miscellaneous liquids were thrown on us

—Lavalieres, the fraternity precursor to giving a girl your pin which was the precursor to an engagement ring

One television per dorm and hardly anyone watched it

—Fraternities serenading special pin mates on the balcony of Hunt Hall, in particular, the night that the Pi Phi answered a Kappa Sig serenade with the Turtles' "Happy Together" rather than something traditional

—Plank, the cook at Phi Gam

—The parade of sem gems in slickers from the army surplus store trudging up the hill on rainy days that we referred to as "monsoons"

—The sea of worms that materialized all over the paths when it rained

—Being able to charge anything in the bookstore and have it go home on your bill to your parents as "books and supplies"

—Shopping at the Lyons Shop downtown

—Halfway Dam

—The football scores on the win-

dows in the men's shop on the corner downtown

—15 cent beers, pickled eggs and table shuffleboard at Tack's

—Hubert Humphrey's speech

—Prof. Stickney - who played the violin, taught baby physics, and wanted us all to be successful

—The Four Tops performing in Davis Gym

—The never-ending bridge games in the dorm lounges

—The "Name Game" where you divided a paper in half, wrote the alphabet one letter per line down the left side and random letters down the right column, making 26 sets of initials for which you tried to think of famous people who had these initials

—"The Lead Balloon," an all-girl band that played one engagement at The Mayflower

—Mack's Pond

—At the Sammy house the big claw foot tub mounted on the wall with a siphon coming out the drain. It was full of ice and "purple passions".

—The Cordial playing "1-2-3" at SAE and everyone singing "S-A-E"

—Food fights

—Stamm's

—Sorority skits at fraternity cocktail parties

—The Bison Band and Bucky the Bison on the field at football games

—The freshman physical education

course for women, Personal Survey

—Tustin Gym where out of bounds was the wall

—The Bloomsburg Fair

—Sleeping porches at fraternities

—Dr. Drinnon

—Every paper typed on a standard typewriter - lots of carbon paper and White Out!

—PLCB cards

—Four beers for a dollar at Dunkels for a study break or after bowling (a favorite phys. ed. option)

—Dr. Wheatcroft reading poetry on his porch during an evening seminar

—Sig Derby: the pledge skits, the pie eating contest, the mud wrestling

—Military Ball

—Tony's delivery pizza coming to the windows of the "New Dorm"

—One television per dorm and hardly anyone watched it

—Dr. Sturm talking with us the night Dr. King was shot

—"Art in the Dark"

—The SDS

—Double features at the Campus Theater

—Tedd's Landing on Parents Week end

—Walking back from the pool and having your hair freeze

—The opportunity to come of age with awesome people who are forever in our hearts!

Bucknell Remembered: A poem for the 50th Reunion

Our fifty years have carried us far
With accomplishments so fine.
We wish to take a moment's pause,
A thoughtful, quiet time.

As we contemplate our lives,
Our work, our friends, our years.
We cannot but remember
The many joys and tears.

We lift the curtain to the past.
I hear our Bucknell call.
So rich the years, so true the friends,
Fond memories for us all.

The times we were together
Walking her hallowed halls.
Are times that deeply matter to us,
Our Alma Mater calls.

She calls to tell us all is well,
Though our Bucknell years are past.
We have our friends and memories,
Treasures that truly last.

By Robert Haslam '58

The Bucknell Serenade

By Win Brickmeier '63

*The girl of my dreams
is the only girl
of all the girls I know.
Her sweet caress is the....*
Some memories are strong enough to last forever.

Any Bucknellian of the years when serenades were popular can attest to the power of a group of male voices blended in a sweetheart song while standing below a group of admiring women.

At the 30th reunion of the class of 1963, the men of '63 fulfilled the fantasies of the women of '63 by singing them a serenade that would evoke the magic of similar serenades of the Bucknell years. In that serenade, the women, holding candles, lined the outdoor stairway of Hunt Hall, with one of their number designated as the recipient of the serenade. The men approached, "marching one by one by one by one for Sigma Alpha Epsi, Sigma Alpha Epsilon." Trios, duets, and solos of long-remembered songs were interspersed with group versions of tunes dragged from the collective memory of those assembled. Impromptu fight songs inspired group participation:

*Ray Bucknell
Ray for the orange and the blue
Ray, ray, ray, ray
Ray for the orange and the blue!*
It seemed natural for the group to close the ser-

enade with a united rendition of Dear Bucknell oft of these were thinking....that left not a dry eye in the house.

The reunion serenades of the class of 1963 have evolved to include a return serenade by the women of 1963. At the 40th reunion, the women were inspired to line the stairs of the Weis Center as the men serenaded them from below. The women contributed All through the Night, Morning Has Broken, and I Want You With Me All the Time, as well as a few sorority ditties that brought a smile. With the class on the cusp of turning 64, the men seized the opportunity to echo the Beatles with a rousing "When I'm 64."

When we talk with Bucknellians of classes as far back as the 1930s, they, too, have fond memories and stories of serenades. Some of the accounts are humorous. Clavin Fisher '34 told of the "secret" SAE tradition of having the girls of Larison Hall surprise SAE pledges with a soaking as they sang their first serenade. Of course the pledges remained mum the following year when the next pledge class was drafted to stand front and center at the first fall serenade.

It is hard to know how the tradition of serenades was lost at Bucknell, but it is easy to consider how easily it could be revived. It would simply take a forward-looking group of men determined to impress the Sem Gems of the 21st century with a heartfelt version of The Sweetheart of Sigma Chi, The TKE Sweetheart, or Violet.



Bill Bullic '53

A Parallel Life

Class of '53 alum remembers the "New Zealand Bee Keeper"

By Walter McConnell '53

Most of us in the Class of '53 remember the historic event that occurred on May 29th of that year, when New Zealand bee-keeper, Edmund Hillary, and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay became the first to reach the summit of Mt. Everest, the world's highest mountain at 29,020 ft. Little did I realize at the time how my life would become involved with these two men. Both were honored worldwide as heroes and Hillary became Sir Edmund with knighthood bestowed upon him by the Queen of England.

Although Tenzing died in 1986, Hillary, a wonderful, gentle, modest man, lived on until January 11, 2008 when he passed away at the age of 88. He was hailed as "royalty" by his fellow countrymen and greatly revered as "Father" by the people of Nepal for providing funds through the Himalayan Trust Charity to build schools and hospitals, rebuild villages and support monasteries.

I gave little thought to Everest until my first trip to Nepal in 1978 when I began climbing lesser peaks in the Khumbu region of the Himalaya. And so, why not aim high and tackle Everest? In 1988, I was doctor for a trek in Sikkim led by



Daku, wife of Tenzing Norgay. So, in 1989 when I needed a second leader for our Everest Base Camp support treks, Daku filled the slot to lead one group, and my wife, Isabel, the other. Daku spent several days at base camp with our trekkers and climbing team.

Returning to base camp after my unsuccessful summit bid when I reached 27,00 ft. (a record at the time for a 59 year old), Peter Hillary, Sir Edmund's son, was there to congratulate me with a shot of Schnapps. I returned to the Tibet side of Everest in '92 and '93 and subsequently went to New Zealand with fellow climber, Robert Anderson, to give a series of lectures for our sponsor, Smith-Kline Beecham. While in Auckland, Robert brought me to Hillary's home where we spent four hours sharing stories and a few beers. We were honored to have Sir Edmund sign for us a number of books he had written.

Three years later, while working in my ER in NJ, I got a call from Tenzing Norgay's son, Jamling. He located me after returning from his mother Daku's

funeral in Darjeeling, India. Tenzing discovered a video of me and his mother at base camp in 1989. Since he was working at a camp only 20 miles from our home, we got together and I helped him raise enough money to return to Sikkim to make a climb to honor his mother and father.

While I have not supported Nepal and the Sherpas to the extent that Hillary has, I have, however, been inspired by his example. Along with Isabel, I have worked as a volunteer physician three times in remote villages. We have provided an education for a brother and sister from a poor Kathmandu family for 15 years and for the son of a Sherpa killed on our 1989 expedition. We support a Buddhist Nun in her monastery and helped a Sherpa family to establish themselves in the USA.

From 1953 to 2008, the humble New Zealand bee-keeper has had an influence on my life and those in the world whose paths he crossed. It is fitting that we celebrate our 55th reunion 55 years after Hillary's historic summit and our Bucknell graduation.

You only want cash?!

Former Class of '53 Treasurer reflects on an interesting task

By Earle "Bud" Bretz '53

During my junior year, I was elected Class Treasurer. Now that seemed like an easy, do nothing job (and I knew how to handle that!). In the spring, the class had determined to have a BIG dance with a BIG band and singer. We contracted with the Johnny Long Band and a singer named Rosemary Clooney.

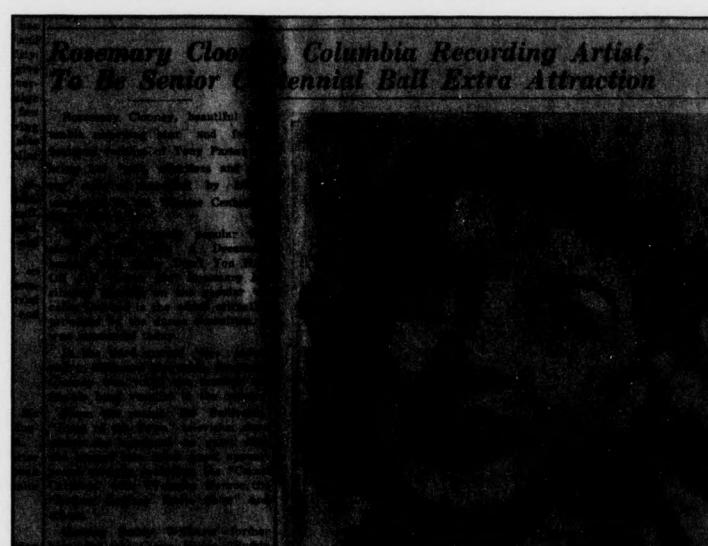
The fee agreed upon was \$5,000. That was a BIG sum of money back then. As a matter of fact, consider that for less than that you could get two years of education and half a diploma from Bucknell. Some quick calculations by a friend of mine came up with about \$300,000 in 2008 dollars. (I'll accept any other number someone wants to give me).

Now the kicker: Johnny wanted that \$5,000 all in cash! Cash? Whoa there, what's the matter with a little old check? The guys wanted to get paid right away and did not want to wait 'til the check was cashed on Monday. Soooooooo, with the cooperation of the Bucknell Treasurer, I got the big enve-

lope with \$5,000 cash in it and stuffed it in his pants and began looking around for someone to "ride shotgun." Finding no one to help with the precarious situation (I was really concerned for my safety, I was not a defensive end or tackle, just a little running back) I made my way to Davis Gym, the site of the dance. I checked in with my date, Bobbie Tredennick (now Mrs. Bud Bretz), to show her I was alive and still had the money. Did you ever try to dance with \$5,000 in your pocket?

The dance ended, and I went back stage to meet Johnny Long and this beautiful long haired blonde, dressed in a short,

strapless, soft orchid dress, orchid shoes and all, Rosemary Clooney. And she sure could sing. (No, I don't remember what Johnny Long had on!) I had a pleasant chat with them and members of the band, who were hanging around wondering where I stashed all the money. I pulled the envelope out of my pants, they cheered, I gave it to Johnny and my "night to remember" was over. You know, it bothers me that I can't remember what Johnny Long was wearing. Oh well, must be getting old and forgetful. I'll bet no one else remembers either. HAVE A FANTASTIC REUNION, CLASS OF 1953- 'Ray, Bucknell!!



The announcement of Rosemary Clooney's performance appeared in the March 16, 1950 issue of The Bucknellian.

Memories of Bucknell after 50 years

By Carol Davies Aronis '58

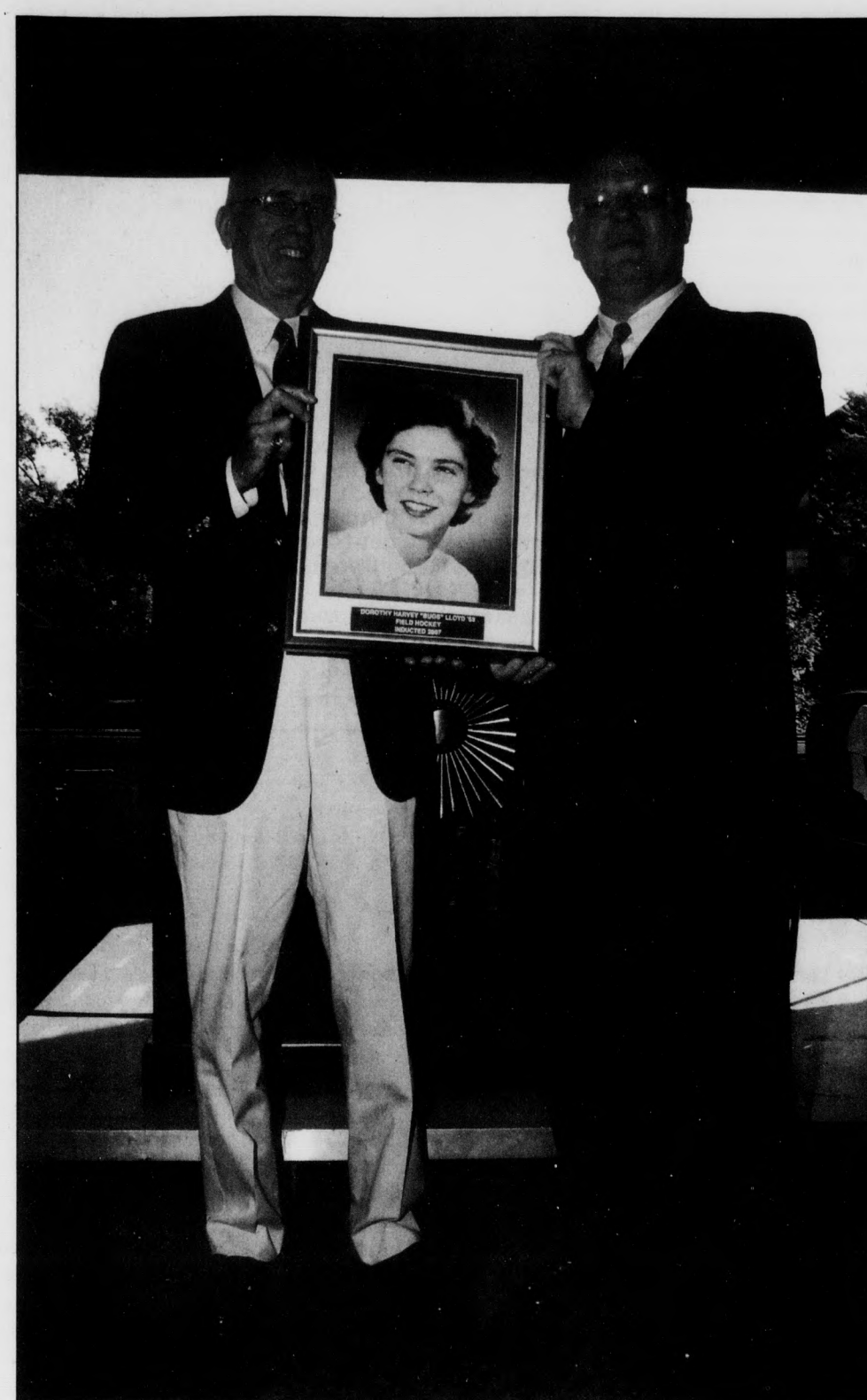
Although the last 50 years have taken me away from the eastern part of the United States, my love for the years at Bucknell and the people I was privileged to meet there have grown continually. In April 2007 I was privileged to bring my oldest grandson for a "look-see visit." For me, this was the highlight of all the visits I have made (not too frequently) over the years.

A dear friend and classmate, Norma Jean Renninger Reed and her husband, Dick, welcomed us into their home for the weekend. My grandson, Nate, could see the lighted new soccer stadium from their balcony. While Nate was being escorted around the campus for his tour and

meetings, I was privileged to visit the Bucknell Archives. The wonderful staff helped me locate three old B.U. yearbooks from the 1890s, and I was able to see pictures of my paternal grandfather, Raymond J. Davies, who graduated in 1898. He went on to be a missionary with the YMCA in India and then a Baptist Pastor in New York and Pennsylvania.

I also saw the magnificent Burma-Bucknell Bowl which was presented to Bucknell in 1958. That same afternoon I met with Neil Swe, the son of dear friends from Myanmar whom we had known in our days at the Union Church of Manila. Neil is now a senior at Bucknell, due to graduate this June. These are some of the ties that bind my heart to my alma mater. Yea, Bucknell!!

"Bugs" Harvey Lloyd Inducted into Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame



By Art Lloyd '53

Dorothy "Bugs" Harvey Lloyd was inducted into the Bucknell Athletic Hall of Fame on Homecoming Weekend, October 20, 2007. "Bugs" was a four year starter on the field hockey team, named to the Mid-East Conference All-Star team in 1953, and was a finalist for the national team. She was also president of the Women's Athletic Association. Dorothy passed away in 2003, and I accepted her induction.

Making a Second Career

By Tracey Eick '83

2007 was a year of "lasts" for our family. The last football game, the last family vacation, the last time I packed J.C.'s school lunch. As many of you know, your first born's senior year in high school is often bittersweet. While I was excited for our son as he made many important decisions, at the same time I wanted to just hug him and block his way out the door. Wasn't it five minutes ago I was holding his chubby little hand as he bravely walked to the bus for his first day of kindergarten? Before we knew it, we were taking graduation photos with the grandparents. Where had 18 years gone?

With J.C. headed to Georgia Tech and Sarah entering her sophomore year in high school, it was time for me to re-group, re-evaluate and figure out what I wanted to do when I grew up. I was fortunate to be able to stay home with our children and would not have traded being a full time mom for anything, but it was time for me to move ahead with the rest of my life.

I enjoyed my career in the insurance industry before J.C. arrived. However, the idea of catching up on almost 20 years of pension law didn't remotely appeal to me. The last time I worked in Corporate America there were no computers on our desks. I felt completely fossilized! I had some interesting part-time jobs along the way, but nothing I wanted to spend the next 20 years doing. I wanted to do something important, something that made an impact this time around.

I spent hours trying to figure out where I fit in and kept drawing the same conclusion. One thing I truly missed when J.C. left home was the

daily interaction with his friends. I knew most of the kids since middle school, spent countless hours watching them play football, baseball, lead cheers and grow up in front of my eyes. Where were the groups of teens dropping by at all hours, raiding the fridge and hanging out in the kitchen? They were so funny, smart, opinionated and they all had their acts together, in spite of their parents' constant worrying. Sarah's friends weren't old enough to drive, so it was eerily quiet at our house. Since I enjoyed their company so much, I decided I really wanted to work with older kids.

I thought long and hard about who influenced and shaped my children as they marched headlong into adulthood. Besides our family, I felt my kids' teachers and coaches were the most important people in their lives. J.C. was fortunate to have some teachers in high school that directly impacted the person he's become today. The wonderful way he wrote about these influential people in his college application essays really touched me. Maybe I could have that kind of impact.

I spent the latter part of the year studying for the GRE's and the Georgia teaching certification exams, finally subjecting myself to the same fate students everywhere dread. I studied endless vocabulary lists, solved countless word problems and even remembered how to multiply exponents. I wrote essays, filled out forms, secured three recommendations from people who are significant to me but not related. Now I run to the mailbox (and check e-mail) every day waiting for that one important letter that will let me know if I can go back to college and earn my teaching degree.

Bucknell Relationships Enriched Our Lives

By Corbin A. Wyant '58

Thirty five years ago when we moved to Florida from Pennsylvania, where virtually everybody knew of Bucknell, I was surprised how few of my Floridian acquaintances ever heard of Bucknell University.

On learning that I was a Bucknell graduate, the response usually was: "Where is Bucknell?" "In the middle of nowhere in central Pennsylvania," I'd answer. "That's one of the things that makes it such a great college." I would explain that there are no large cities anywhere near it, and that Bucknell's campus life takes on greater significance than at large universities in metropolitan areas.

I noted soon after that the Regent of Vassar had been attracted to Bucknell as a dean and had observed that campus life in Lewisburg remained as it had been in many colleges 50 years before. One could choose to take the observation as a compliment to the university or be offended by it. Above all, we were taught critical thinking at Bucknell so I chose to be discerning with regard to her comment.

Had the remark been pejorative, I reasoned, she would never have offered it upon her arrival in a new administrative position at the university. To put the statement in perspective, consider what it would have meant when we arrived at Bucknell as freshmen. Fifty years earlier would have been 1904, only four years removed from the 18th century. Campus life in 1954 would have been dramatically different from 1904.

Another way to look at it would be to realize that Guy Payne, class of '09, hadn't even started college 50 years before we arrived. He described a lot of differences to us between his generation of Bucknellians and ours, most of them not improvements in his perspective.

(Guy did look most favorably on one gesture undertaken 10 years or more after we graduated. He had wanted to join Phi Gamma Delta as a young student, but couldn't afford to belong to a fraternity. The Fijis of the late 60s knew of this, and, before Guy Payne went to his reward at a very old age, initiated him into membership.)

I've asked a lot of alumni about how Bucknell enriched their lives. About half in my unsolicited survey say that Bucknell launched their careers. That was true of teachers, physicians, attorneys,

engineers and a lot of men and women who majored in Commerce and Finance and ended up in vocations very unlike those for which we prepared as liberal arts students.

Yet, there is a common thread between those who chose majors that related to their ultimate vocations and those who did not. The enrichment that we all shared was the quality of relationships at Bucknell, both with faculty as well as with students. The small student body, the character of the faculty and the importance of campus life so far from major cities all contributed to those relationships. The liberal endowment of the university was in no small part a factor in those relationships, because it gave us a very attractive student/faculty ratio.

I knew my professors well, even those who

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taught largely lecture courses our freshman year. I can't remember a professor who didn't welcome us into his or her office if we needed help or if we just wanted to talk. I can remember needing an appointment to see a professor, but I can't remember ever being rushed out of a conference. Those professors cared about us, and made us feel that they cared about us.

Relationships with our fellow students have, for most of us, endured these 50 years. A lot of our classmates have made many of the 10 reunions we have held since graduation, and friendships based on the common Bucknell bond have continued.

There was another advantage of the small, remote campus. There were so many organizations and teams that there were almost limitless opportunities to be a leader if one was so inclined. Bucknell produced a lot of leaders, and its small campus was a catalyst in doing so.

Fifty years later, if most 1958 Bucknell graduates were they to objectively ask themselves if Bucknell really enriched their lives, would have to answer a resounding "Yes."

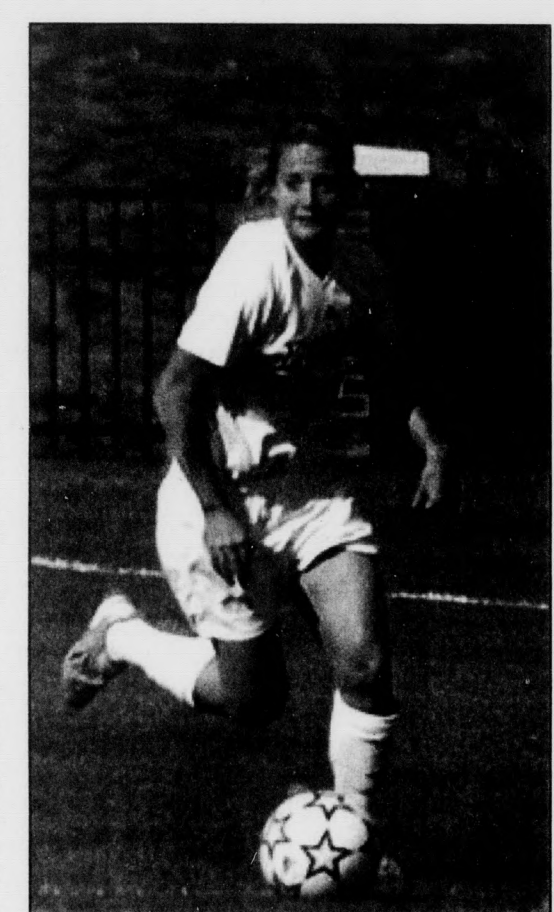
What it Means to be a Bucknellian

By Leslie Schulze '08

In the aftermath of 100 Nights and spring break I am realizing the inevitable - unfortunately, in two months time I, and the rest of the Class of 2008, will have to graduate. Luckily, I will not leave empty-handed. And while the education I have received has been undeniably invaluable, that is far from all I will be taking with me out of the "bubble."

Reflecting on my four years at Bucknell, I have been struggling to put into words what it means to be a Bucknellian. One thing is for certain - Bucknell is more than just a college. For me it is more than a means of academic enhancement, more than a place to play a Division I sport, more than a party scene. Bucknell has become a place I am proud to call home.

While some complain that our university is homogeneous, I cannot agree. Admittedly, a majority of us do share some things in common, but I have gotten to know many different types of people here, and I believe that this school can offer something to everyone. Here I have met people who have made me better; those friends who keep me disciplined and focused, those who help me realize when I need to let loose, and those who can find the positives in any disappointment or difficulty. Whether you meet your best friends



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smile and laugh no matter what has gone wrong; the practical jokes played on each other, the random weeknights when you realize you have just laughed for an hour for a reason you can no longer remember, the three hours spent on a Sunday morning just reminiscing on the outrageous happenings of the previous night. Hopefully, I will remember how truly unique Bucknellians are. Somehow, we manage to find the perfect balance between working hard and enjoying life, a balance I hope to always maintain.

I have never doubted for a minute that I made the right college choice. If I have half as many amazing memories in the rest of my lifetime that I have had in just four years here, I will surely live a happier and more fulfilling life than most. While I am beyond sad to leave Bucknell, I know it will always be a place I will enjoy coming back to. Thanks to the abilities, confidence, and friends that this place has helped give me, I leave with an unyielding belief in a quote said often by one of my best friends: "Life is beautiful."

Reflections: A look back at the University

By Elizabeth Zoch '58

The end of my sophomore year in 1956 came quickly, and I was now meeting with my academic advisor. She noted that I had done well in liberal arts courses.

"I loved them," I responded, "but I need to switch to a B.S. in Commerce and Finance."

"But, why?" She look surprised.

"Basically, my father won't pay for anything other than a business degree. He wants me to be able to get a 'real' job when I graduate," I told her.

"I see," she thought a moment. "You need to talk with Professor Burgee, the head of the Department; he can go over the curriculum with you."

Soon, Prof. Burgee was welcoming me to his office. His booming voice and genuine enthusiasm enabled me to ask some questions. "Would I be the only female in these classes?" and "How would I use this degree after college?" Women in business then were mainly secretaries!

"All of life is business," he explained. "You may have to manage a household budget or even

the family finances. You'll surely do most of the purchasing, and some day women may even be running their own businesses.

"By the way," he asked me. "Do you have a bank account here in Lewisburg?" "Yes," I told him. "It's money I earned myself, and I haven't bounced a check yet!" We both laughed. "You'll do fine," he reassured me. And there'll be a few other women in some of the classes."

Inspired by Prof. Burgee, I signed up for his accounting courses. He made them interesting, but the work was tedious. I spent many hours adding and subtracting in the long, old-fashioned way, as we had no calculators or adding machines.

"My brain just doesn't resonate with numbers," I told my advisor. "And this economic theory course is like another language entirely!" She suggested a course in logic might be helpful so I signed up for that, even though it was in the Philosophy Department. I didn't know Bucknell had such a department. "It's new," she informed me, "and we're quite excited about it."

I found logic exciting, too. Professor Richmond taught it;

he liked to give little ongoing quizzes rather than big tests. One quiz showed how we were either optimists or pessimists. He then explained how either way of thinking could hurt us in life. "But," we asked, "How should we think?" This led to more 'discourse,' as he called our classroom discussions, on how to use logic to think critically. He told us about cafés in Greenwich Village where such philosophical discussions were ongoing and that such was also common in the cafés of Paris, Prague, and Vienna.

I pored over the card catalogue in the Bertrand Library and took copious notes from books on the various thinkers from Socrates to Thoreau. One night I missed getting back to my dorm by 10 p.m., our week-night curfew, and I ended up at Honor Council. Since it was an academic incident, I was simply told to keep my eye on the clock.

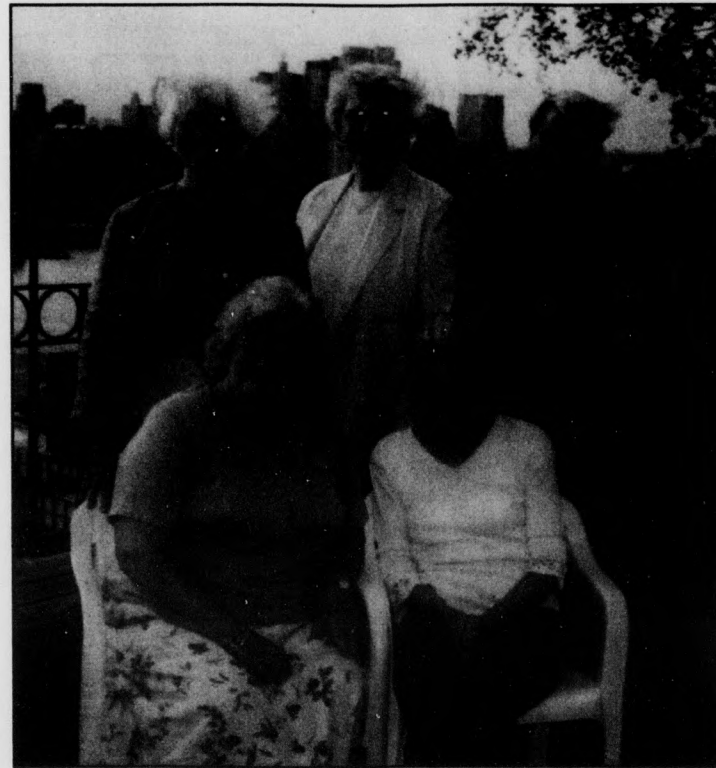
By junior year, I had a double major in accounting and philosophy. Little did I realize then that what I was learning at Bucknell far transcended the subjects themselves. I was learning through those business courses

to not always take the easy route, to struggle with unfamiliar areas, and to work easily and equally with men. I wish I could have told Professor Burgee how much I appreciated his encouragement of me in a business environment where few women ventured then. I did, as he predicted, have my own business in the future, and when it was audited by the IRS I was fully prepared because of my knowledge base.

Professor Richmond also would never know that after college I lived in Greenwich Village and sat in those cafés he talked about. He planted dreams of travel, and I thought of him when I later sat at cafés throughout Europe. He also showed me how ones' thinking can be improved, and how thoughts precede actions, both individually and collectively. I began to understand myself more.

My advisor would prove to be a role model, as she demonstrated how ongoing support and some well-timed suggestions could affect a young life. My profession as a psychotherapist is built on such experiences with her and my professors.

Above all, I learned that I



Submitted by Jane Scheifele Frassenei '58
Bucknell friends from the Class of 1958 get together in New York City for lunch and the New York City ballet. Front row from left, Adele Irving, Elizabeth Jones Zoch (organizer for the get-together), Back row Pat Strachan '57, Cathy Hoffman Doremus and Jane Scheifele Frassenei.

needed positive people around me, ones who believed in me and whose vision transcended my own. I'm sure I am not alone

in having found such people on those lovely 300 acres in Lewisburg and feeling truly grateful to all of them.

The BU Girls

By Jan Borden '58

We call ourselves the "BU Girls". The eight of us have been "girls" since we met at Bucknell back in 1954 and we still are "girls" as we celebrate our 50th Reunion. We are: Jan Bull Borden, Shirley Cook Hatch, Lorian Rodi Deuel, Jane Scheifele Frassenei, Adele Irving, Marie Mastorakis, Judy Daniel Morrison, and Peggy Faulk Myrback. We have regularly gathered together for over 20 years in our homes as well as on vacation trips overseas. We spent our 60th birthdays "cruising" the Caribbean! For our 70th, we rented a condo in Hilton Head, SC. Even when all could not get together some of us went to Spain and Turkey. Over the years we have visited Annapolis and Frostburg in Maryland, Lancaster, Mt. Gretna and Maple Glen in Pennsylvania, Venice, Captiva Island and Boca Grande in Florida, and Ocean City, Berkeley Heights and Cranford in New Jersey. We always have our holiday celebration early in December at Marie's with delicious food, fine wine and, of course, gifts! Such fond memories we share. We are very fortunate to have been such close friends these many years since we first met at Bucknell. Many of our non-Bucknell friends say there is no other group they know that has continued to be as close and do many things together. We have met the trials and triumphs of becoming women during our collegiate days. We

have had many joys in our lives—loves, marriages, children, grandchildren, and rewarding careers as well as the sad times—losing spouses or parents and surviving major surgeries or serious diseases. To quote another '58er, Jane Vetter King, whenever we get together, "No matter if it's a day, a week, or 10 days, you'd think time had stood still." Peggy Myrback has always said, "Our friendship is so lasting because we have history!"

I know our group is not unique. Many of our fellow "58ers" gather and join each other for vacations and pleasurable times. I know there is a group of Phi Gamma Delta's who annually go on a golfing trip to a resort in Arizona! From what Edge Deuel tells me, they go early in May each year and always have a great time. He said, "Having a great time is a must!" The Theta Chi's have a close knit group and get together as often as they can—spouses included! They have "cruised" the Greek Isles, rented beach houses in Delaware, North Carolina and Venice Gorda, BVI and enjoyed many good times in Venice, Florida.

I guess what makes these groups so special is that we are all Bucknell graduates. We have continued to work at our friendships that began in 1954 and have lasted for fifty years.

To all of us I say "Ray Bucknell." If it weren't for her, we would not have so many good, loyal and loving friends.

A Visit to Mt. Gretna

My rustic cottage welcomes you,
With shortbread, tea and chocolate too.
Mt. Gretna, town that time forgot
Whispers, dear friends, forget me not.

We meet each summer, to seal the ties,
That bind the friendships in our lives.
Alas, Bucknell seems far away,
But hearts glow warm this gathering day.

We number six, fair damsels all.
A word for each I shall recall.
Marie and Janet have Gus and Bob,
There's no explaining a girl's heart throb!

Puccini, Rossini, William Tell,
The lyrical world of our Adele.
How would we live, indeed survive,
Without the music in our lives.

Don't forget Peggy, Shirley and Jane.
Two are gardeners of "Green Thumb" fame.
We know the third, in gown of crème,
Was swept by Rog into a dream.

Our lives have changed throughout the years.
We've had to deal with hopes and tears.
But like a lighthouse by the sea
Our comrade ship sails true and free.

Written by Robert Haslam
BU Girls
Summer Gathering
Mt. Gretna
September 14, 2005

Fun in the Florida Sun

The Bucknell girls are off once more
To Florida's bright and fun-filled shore.

The pool and beach with temps in the 80s
Will certainly cheer these lovely young ladies!

Don't forget dining and sips of cool wine
A Hawaiian Luau with food that's divine!

Let's not forget that Dick and Judy
Have a new boat that's quite a beauty!

And if the weather permits a safe sail
A Cabbage Key luncheon just might prevail.

To top things off for everyone
We have a "Goodie Bag" filled with fun.

There's tea, pens and bracelets, Mary Kay and
much more

With proud little men to guard each front door!

Now down through the years and over the days
They've cared for each other in most special ways.

Can they ever find words to say how they feel?
Their fun times together are true and most real!

Written by Robert Haslam
For the Bucknell Girls' Gathering
At Judy Morrison's home in
Boca Grande, Florida
October 25-28, 2007

Bucknell Connection

By Rachel Laskow '03

My hometown of Westfield, N.J., is 175 miles from Bucknell – barely a three-hour car ride. Cars in the Trader Joe's parking lot have Bucknell stickers, and it's a common site to see people sporting Bucknell sweatshirts.

When my boyfriend, Justin Schwartz '04, and I moved to Orlando, Fla., more than 1,000 miles from Lewisburg, I knew my chances of seeing a Bucknell t-shirt would be slim to none. But I never would have guessed that most people in Orlando, home to three of my best college friends, would never have even heard of Bucknell. When I told my co-workers where I went to school, most of them said, "What?" or "Do you mean Cornell?"

One Sunday, my boyfriend was wearing a Bucknell shirt while we were shopping in Publix, our local grocery store, and someone stopped us. He happened to be a 2001 Bucknell graduate. We talked for a few seconds, and when I went home, I started to wonder if there were any other alumni living around me. I searched the online alumni directory and learned that Jo Ann Heine '60 lived just a few blocks from me. I e-mailed her, and within a few weeks, Justin and I were joining Jo Ann and her husband for dinner. It turned out that we had more than Bucknell in common. Her father was heavily involved with the creation of Disney World.

Justin and I moved to Orlando because he got a job as an engineer for Universal Creative. Jo Ann's husband, Dave, once lived in Westfield, N.J. In the words of a Disney ride, "It's a small world after all."

Bucknell in the real world

In talking to my fellow reunion committee members, I realized I wasn't the only one with such a connection. Craig Kimball '03 was friendly with Carolyn Coates '03, Bo Sharpe '03, and Kate Kenner '03 at Buck-

nell. "It was amazing to learn that our parents had also known each other and interacted while attending Bucknell. I always enjoyed visiting the Coates family (Cape Cod, Mass.), Sharpe family (New Caanan, Conn.), and the Kenner family (Allentown, Pa.), and hearing stories about Bucknell in the early '70s," Craig said.

Craig's connections continued at work. Craig participated in ILTM over the summer of 2001, interned for eMarket Capital (now Captive Capital Corporation) founded by Jonathan Moran '90, and later took a job with LendingTree.com (founded by Doug Lebda '92). "Had it not been for Bucknell alumni support, I would not be where I am today. I am truly grateful for the extraordinary help and support I have received from Bucknellians throughout my career. I have gone on to help many other Bucknellians including Frank DiMaria '05, Keith Collins '06, and, most recently, Stephanie Paciello '10 find jobs," he said.

From the halls of Vedder to the shores of Senegal

Despite the fact that Emily Smith '04 and Aimee Gallagher '05 were both French majors, had mutual friends, and took part in Bucknell in France, among a host of other things, it took a trip to Senegal to bring them together.

Emily and Aimee were chosen as recipients of Rotary

International's Ambassadorial Scholarship. Ironically, both chose to study in Dakar, Senegal, for different reasons.

"Upon arriving in Senegal, I was overwhelmed by the dry heat, assertiveness of the Senegalese and the ongoing cholera epidemic. However, I felt at home when I met Emily," Aimee said.

"We became instant friends upon meeting at our first Wolof language class. In the year that followed, we shared the incredible experience of navigating life in West Africa. Though our travels and adventures led us to some precarious situations, we were able to maneuver through the villages, cities and countries with ease."

Upon returning to the U.S., Emily and Aimee are once again sharing the same city, but this time it is our nation's capital.

"Thanks to Professor Emeritus Allan Grundstrom and Professor Angele Kingue for putting Emily and me in contact with each other. And most of all, a huge thanks to Emily for all of the memories and for being the greatest friend!" Aimee said.

Bucknell might be in central Pennsylvania, but Bucknellians are all around the world, keeping new connections every day. Craig, Aimee, and I might be having our five-year reunion, but we are only beginning a lifetime of being Bucknellians and sharing Bucknell with other people.



Boz, Rachel and Em on the Ferry.

Recap of the Last 4 years

By Lauren Berninger '08

It seems like yesterday when I said goodbye to my parents and watched them scurry down the hallway of Smith, teary-eyed and still in disbelief. Almost eight semesters later, as seniors, we're about to say goodbye once again—this time to the place so many of us have come to call "home." Over the past four years, we have each lived our own unique version of the Bucknell experience and we have left distinguished marks on all areas of campus life from academics and athletics to musical performance and religious life. While our time here is almost up, our experiences at Bucknell will undoubtedly transcend the short time spent on this campus.

Freshman year was a period of transition. Our first few days were spent consumed by the hustle and bustle of orientation. Color wars and nonstop icebreakers made every day a little less awkward while intimidating meetings on academic responsibility and behavioral consequences left some of us slightly perturbed.

Over the next few weeks and months, we adjusted to the newness of dorm life. We learned how to live (or not live) with our roommates, the benefits of wearing flip flops in the shower and how easily one case of the flu quickly becomes a hall epidemic. It turned out the myths about cafeteria food were true—our digestive systems proved it and we were unfortunately forced to adjust to this as well.

As the semester progressed, the first papers and exams came as a shock to many of us as the grades we once achieved in high school became slightly

harder to attain. By fall break, it seemed just about everyone was a little homesick. Towards the end of first semester, a lot of us had found our niche. We became engrossed not only in academics but in organizations across campus. For others of us, it would take a little more time. Sophomore year seemed to shine a new light on us. Chemistry and engineering classes seemed half the size of the previous year as we began to reconsider our academic interests. With the new academic year

ate ideas we thought we would never consider and a few even became advocates for these newly respected positions. Additionally, internships and summer jobs reinforced what we had learned in the classroom and offered a preview of the real world that we might not have been familiarized with in the bubble.

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My World

Class of '63 Alum Dick Fidler reflects on being Bucknell's first blind student

By Dick H. Fidler '63

I continue the series I started as Bucknell's first blind student. I wrote columns in the Bucknellian "MY WORLD" in which I compare and contrast your world with mine, that of a blind person.

On a fine September day in 1959, our car reached the top of a hill from which my parents saw Bucknell. Dad was driving. I sat beside him, a bit nervous and apprehensive. You could hardly see my Mom sitting in the back surrounded by Braille books, high school notes, a small reel tape recorder (which never worked well), clothing, etc. In my pocket were my writing implements, a slate and stylus. (This slate served me not only through my days at Bucknell but throughout my teaching career).

Visits to campus by my Office for the Blind Counselor and by my parents and I helped convince those with doubts to admit me. One of the doubters asked me to tutor his son during my senior year. Not only did Bucknell have many questions about how a blind student would function but the problem was confounded by my wanting to major in Mathematics. Fitz Walling, Admissions Dean at the time, was sure I could succeed.

Making that same trip in 2008, our car would contain a "talking" computer loaded with the usual Windows programs but also with a Screen reader and a scanning and reading program. I would not only have a slate and stylus, but also a talking GPS system. I would have already talked with an assistant Dean and informed him/her of my needs and have been informed of the accommodations made for me. The Admissions Office would have provided me with accessible information and tactile maps of the campus. I would still be nervous but not the same way I was back then. Bucknell would not have shown any reluctance to accept me.

Freshman year having arrived on campus, I went to my assigned room in Swartz Hall, the dorm for freshmen men at that time. I met the head resident, Spike, who proved to be of great help during those first days and throughout my freshman year. Spike spent several hours during those first days showing me around campus, or at least how to get to the places I had to go - my classrooms, the Library, the cafeteria which, then, was located in the basement of Swartz. After returning from lunch with my parents I discovered that I had a single room. This proved most convenient. A few days after my arrival, the school doctor called me to his office and inquired as to how I was getting around, especially if I had found the facilities. I quickly learned that I had a lot of convincing to do.

Today, as a freshman, I'd most likely have a single room. I would use my GPS system and the tactile maps to learn the campus. I'd certainly learn my way to the Langone Center and the cafeteria. I would recognize that things had improved a lot and many more people were aware of what handicapped people can do.

That first year, several towns' people read to me. Senior year I spoke to the Rotary Club and was able to speak to some of these people again and thank them for their help.

Not having my Mathematics text in braille I used a similar book in braille to keep up in this course. My brailled German text did not arrive until near the end of the semester. Most of the reading material for my English and History courses had been recorded on LP disks either by Recording for the Blind or by the Talkingbook program. In order to take notes, I had to keep stopping and starting the record player and often had to move the needle back and forth to retrace a passage. The recordings often skipped. Thus, reading often became tedious.

Sophomore year I asked for volunteer readers and their help enabled me to graduate and have a successful teaching career. Almost every weekday I could be found in a little office located behind the circulation desk being read to, every hour, on the hour, from 8 until 5, except when I was in class or at the cafeteria.

Today I would have easy access to much of the reading material I needed to read. Recording for the Blind still would supply many of my books. However, their current digital reading machine would enable me to insert notes and underline text and to skip around, find, and search with the press of a few keys. With my computer I would have access to thousands of books. With my reading machine I could scan and read printed material. My reading machine would never ask "Do we really have to read now? Can't we go for a walk?" I still would take notes with my slate and stylus but I'd have a functioning recorder at my disposal.

Back then I had little access to the library. Today I could walk into the library and have access to a computer station equipped with a screen reader, have use of a reading machine, and be able to do almost everything any other students does. I'd probably need someone to find books and articles for me, but with a reading machine available I could then read these books on my own.

As you can see, life at Bucknell would be very different for me now. I would not require as much help from readers. I'd be able to do much more on my own.

Even though in many ways life would be easier for me as a Bucknell student today, I think I'd miss a couple of things and may not have some advantages I had then. First, I'd be spending much more time alone in my room with my reading machine, talking book player tape recorder, etc. I would have to find other ways to meet people and make friends. I still maintain friendships with many who read to me. Not only am I grateful to the reading they did but also for their friendship. Reading technology does not fall asleep or say funny things; nor does technology stop and chat.

I learned what life for me would be like today by visiting the Bucknell web site. This site is a great way to keep in touch with Bucknell. For several years I have been enjoying listening to the football games on the internet. This is not quite as much fun as walking behind the band as they made their way to the stadium and sitting in the stands cheering on the team. How many of the class of 63 remember the first football game freshman year when Lannie marched up the field as a drum-major twirling a baton and bending backwards. I hope it is memories such as this and many others that keep you coming back to Bucknell and supporting the University in whatever way you can.

I hope you all enjoy Reunion weekend. I wish you all the best.

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Our 70th Christmas

The Bucknell girls are warm and caring,
But alas this year, what are they sharing?

Seventy years and still going strong,
They've celebrated the whole year long!

Like precious stones, each one's a gem,
Remarkable ladies, each one of them!

Jane, Jan and Judy, all Garnets by birth,
Lifting their glasses in jubilant mirth!

Amethyst purple, a most regal hue
Our Shirley and Lorian are royalty too!

Peggy is Pearl, what else can we say?
Such a dear friend on this special day!

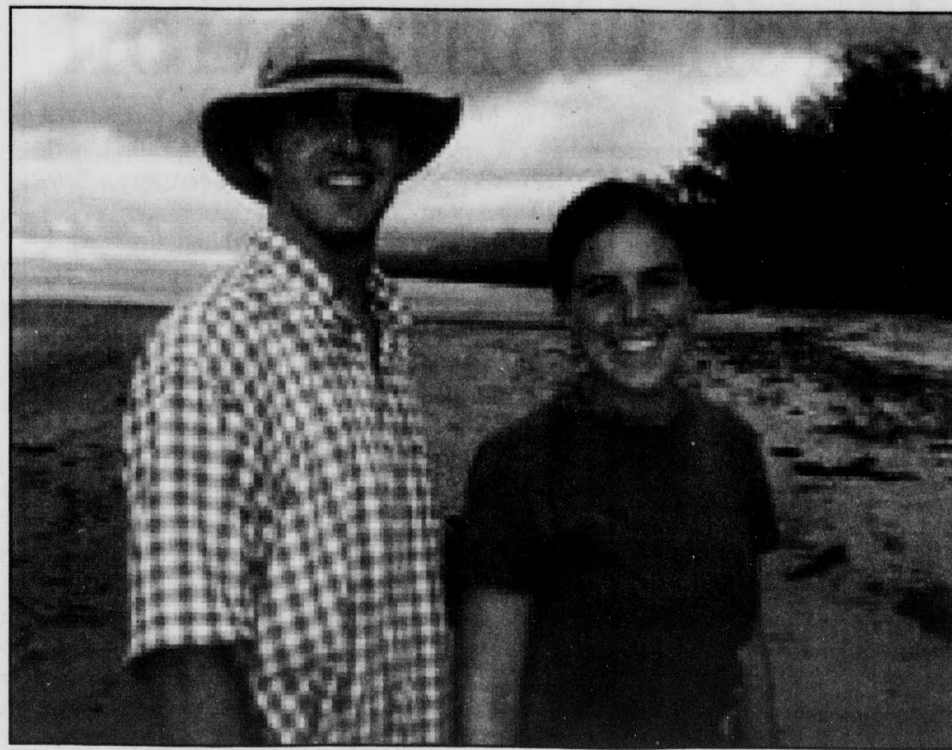
Marie, Dolores and our Adele,
Wear the blue Sapphire very well.

In good times and bad times throughout the years,
These friendships hold strong with laughter or tears.

Their bonds are deep, long lasting and true,
Here now they gather, their ties to renew!

By Robert Haslam
For the Bucknell Girls
70th Birthdays
December 13, 2006

Bucknellians Near & Far



Ben and Casey Leek Hilliard

By Kathryn Wrightson '98

Ben and Casey Leek Hilliard are graduates of the class of 1998. They met each other during their senior year at Bucknell. They currently live in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 9,394 miles from Lewisburg. In the following profile they share what they've been doing in the 10 years since graduation and how they stay connected to the Bucknell community.

Please give a brief overview of your campus experience:

Ben: I majored in English with a minor in Anthropology. I was a member of Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE), was a DJ for WVBU Radio and was involved in intramural sports. I worked at Venarri's Pizza - I wonder if it is still there.

Casey: I majored in Biology. To be honest, that is about it. I was not in a sorority or an athlete or involved in anything really. It is a shame; I missed many opportunities, although I enjoyed my time at Bucknell and appreciate the education I received there.

What have you been doing in the 10 years since graduation?

Ben: I joined the Peace Corps and was slated to leave six weeks after graduation. A war in my prospective country and the loss of my medical clearance due to an injury delayed my start date by 12 months. During that time, Casey and I lived outside San Francisco. After two months in Papua New Guinea it dawned on me that I was sacrificing my relationship so I quit, came home, moved to Colorado, and Casey and I got married. We lived outside Denver for five years. Casey worked in a genetics lab and for a non-profit - The Milestones Project - and received her Masters degree in Anthropology from The University of Colorado, Denver. Her research was on traditional Mongolian medicine and she spent one summer doing fieldwork in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia. I worked for Pavestone Company as the district manager, responsible for our retail division in the Western Region. We then moved to Montreal, Quebec. Despite the long, cold winters we enjoyed our time in Canada. I worked in sales and as a logistics manager and Casey attended McGill University, enrolled as a PhD student in Medical Anthropology. During her studies, Casey became interested in South East Asia, particularly Malaysia, and decided to focus her research on this region. When it came time to conduct her research we left Montreal and moved to Malaysia. We spent the first six months here focused on language immersion, living in a small town about an hour south of the capital city, and enrolled in a language program at a university. We now live in Kuala Lumpur where Casey is conducting her research, and I work as an editor for a translation company.

Casey: Ben recently summarized the last ten years for the both of us quite well. We have been on the move a good deal - California, Colorado, a stint in Mongolia, Montreal, and now Malaysia and truthfully, who knows where next? My masters degree brought me to Mongolia for three months, and for my Ph.D., we moved to Montreal and Malaysia. But the desire to experience new places, people, and different ways of understanding the world have always been an important priority for both of us. In many ways our wish to see the world has been the motivation for many of my academic decisions.

As for my graduate studies, I study medical anthropology. I did my Master's research on the reemergence of traditional medicine in Mongolia and am currently in the midst of investigating changing health beliefs and practices in Malaysia.

Although being far from family without an actual place to call 'home' has been difficult at times, the experiences our nomadic lifestyle has afforded us are worth it. The scenic beauty, diverse cultures, unexpected adventures, and the many opportunities to learn from the different people we meet, have helped us to keep growing and have strengthened our wanderlust. Thankfully, it has also stimulated our families' travel bug, and we find ourselves with frequent visitors wherever we live.

How did you come to be in your current location? And where are you exactly?

Ben: We currently live in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. Casey's dissertation research brought us here. It is a reward for both of us after several years of enduring the frigid winters of Montreal. Besides some part-time editing, I get a break from the rat race while experiencing a unique and tropical part of the world and Casey gets to escape the library and learn firsthand what Malaysian culture is really like. We have been here for one year and intend to stay for another eight months and then we are off to parts unknown.

Given that you are geographically so far away, how do you stay connected with Bucknell? When was the last time you were on campus?

We have not been back to campus since we graduated, a reality we regret. We have read about the many campus changes and hope to get back to Bucknell soon. We stay connected with Bucknell through the website and the alumni newsletter. We are still very close with many of our Bucknell friends and we communicate regularly.

What are some of your best memories of Bucknell?

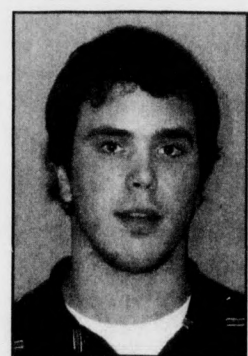
Ben: Like most students, I relished the opportunity to laze away the afternoon on the quad in front of the library. My favorite memory of Bucknell may be springtime on the quad, sitting with a group of friends, enjoying the sunshine and conversation as other friends joined and left the group. I spent many hours chasing a Frisbee around campus as my friends and I created different Frisbee golf courses. I was in a fraternity and although living in a fraternity house can be a bit rough, the social aspects and friendships that I made far outweighed the slovenliness. House Party Weekend and the many nights TKE booked bands for parties are some of the highlights. I always enjoyed my walk to the Roberts Hall basement for my weekly radio show. For four years Alex Stiff and I were co-DJs for WVBU. I have one not-so-fond memory - my dingle. Over-enrollment dictated that many singles were turned into doubles - hence the "dingle" I lived in my sophomore year. Nothing tests a friendship like sharing a dingle.

Casey: The best memories I have are of springtime on campus. I visited Bucknell in May of my senior year in high school and always say that it was the beauty of the campus that time of year that clinched my decision to attend. The sky is so blue, the fields so green, the buildings are bright in contrast, and the air is fresh and crisp. During my four years at Bucknell, I came to appreciate springtime in Lewisburg even more. After a long winter, when the semester felt like it would never end, a blue-skyed temperate day would pop up out of nowhere and set things right again. With just the hint of spring, the campus came back to life, there were students lounging about on the quad, Frisbees in the air, and a general sense of joy everywhere. Of course, we broke out our tee-shirts and flip-flops too soon every year because there were always a few extra winter days to endure, but once spring fever hit campus there was no going back.

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of calling the home of the Orange and Blue my permanent residence. Long story short, my parents dropped me off on campus in August, waved goodbye, and then headed to the airport to begin a five-year mission's term in the Middle East with Monnetton Central Committee - a relief and development agency. We sold our house in DC, and now, among

other things, I use my campus box number as a permanent address. In this first semester of major transition, I have been amazed at the care and personal attention that various campus resources afford me. Whether going to the Offices of the Deans, Financial Aid, Career Development, Business, Multicultural Student Services, or even meeting with my professors, I feel welcome and wanted everywhere - quite possibly the most essential aspect of a liberal arts school setting. More so than the resources provided, I cannot praise highly enough the individuals that make up our community here. Even the friendly smiles and hearty



By Jeremy Byler '11
Civil/Environmental
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Making Bucknell's Campus a permanent address

If you would have told me four years ago that one day I would find a home in "rural-burbia" Pennsylvania, I would have probably laughed and called you crazy. However, here I am, and I couldn't be happier. Just about every student I've talked to refers to Bucknell lovingly as a home away from home, but I have the joy

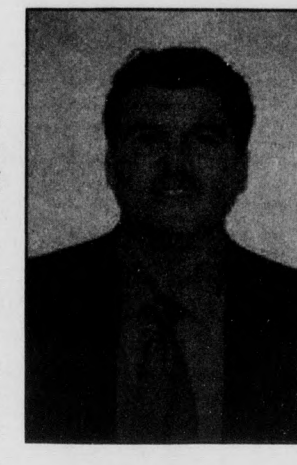
Being an Entrepreneur from Bucknell

By Michael E. Benevento '93

When I was asked to write this article, I searched for many topics that would be relevant to my class of 1993. After considering a number of topics and speaking with a larger group of alumni, I was excited to learn that many of our classmates had undertaken entrepreneurial ventures following graduation. Being an entrepreneur is something for which I have both passion and experience. I have also found that it is a common thread among many of our classmates as they forged careers post graduation over the past 15 years. It is not surprising given what I believe are the common denominators found among entrepreneurs, including: independence; willingness to take on risk; competitive drive and spirit; and sense of leadership. These are all qualities and characteristics found among many of our fellow classmates, for which the foundations were developed and firmly established while on campus in Lewisburg.

I first embraced my interest in building my own business during my second job following graduation, working for the money management firm Gabelli Asset Management. The firm was founded in 1977 by a 36 year old equity analyst, Mario J. Gabelli. Starting with no clients and two employees, Mr. Gabelli grew his firm into an international money management firm with over \$30 billion in assets under management. It was here that I realized being an entrepreneur held the potential to gain wealth. Wealth in the monetary sense, yes. But what ignited my spirit even more were the other benefits of being an entrepreneur. These include gaining a wealth of experience, leadership, time to spend with my family and personal fulfillment.

In 2006, with Eric Green, my Bucknell freshman year roommate and teammate on the Bucknell football team - I founded a long short equity hedge fund. It was a difficult decision only because I was taking a substantial risk, and that risk was going to affect my family and our ability to sustain a life to which we had become accustomed. However, I had the full support of my wife, Taylor Meding Benevento '93, as well as my extended family. Taylor knew this was a plan I first developed in the spring of 1998, during a class on entrepreneurship at Columbia Business School. During my due diligence process in January 2006, I met with my former boss and mentor, Art



Samberg. In 1986, Art founded one of the most successful and largest hedge funds in the country, Pequot Capital Management, Inc. During the first part of the conversation, Art tried his best to talk me out of starting my business, expressing his concern about how the odds were stacked against me. However, midway through the conversation, Art changed his tone and encouraged me to take a shot. He told me of a story in which he almost went personally bankrupt post the stock market crash of 1987. At that point, he could have closed his business and gone back to work for his old employer. However, he knew having his own business was all he ever wanted to do, and he forged ahead. He then said, "Look at you Michael. You're jumping out of your seat with enthusiasm. You have to do this." It was at that point that I decided to go forward. It has not been easy and there are still no guarantees that it will work. However, another Bucknell friend and fellow entrepreneur, Jon Abraham, told me very early on that despite all of the challenges of running your own business, seeing your name on the door each morning as you come into work is a proud feeling that never goes away.

Some of the most generous benefactors of the University were and are entrepreneurs, including Ken Langone, Bob Rooke and Bill Graham. I have had the privilege to speak and meet with a few of them, and they truly are an inspiration. I hope that the University continues to embrace the role of the entrepreneur, both on campus and post-graduation. To quote Tom O'Malia from his introduction to the book, *Been There, Done That*, "Entrepreneurs are about loving their journey, not their destination." For me, this sums up what being an entrepreneur is all about. There are plenty of setbacks along the way, but you learn from them and press on. The highs are high and sometime the lows are lower. But as mentioned above, Jon Abraham was right: seeing your name on the door each morning as you come into work is a proud feeling that never goes away.

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Stories from alumni entrepreneurs

By Michael E. Benevento '93

I have been pleased to discover that many of our fellow classmates have also traveled the path of entrepreneurship post graduation, and I wanted to share a few of their stories:

After a short career as a public accountant and credit card peddler, Carl Herber started Masters Realty, a Baltimore based real estate brokerage firm. He has been in business since 1999 and currently employs 6 people. He can be found at www.masters-realty.com. If you're looking to purchase or sell a home in the greater Baltimore metropolitan area, call him at (410) 522-7653.

In July 2003, Scott Ogur joined a friend from business school who was starting a private investment firm. The two left the JPMorgan Private Bank to found Scimitar Global Ventures, now shortened to Scimitar. Scott works out of the Philadelphia area and is the firm's Chief Investment Officer and CFO. His partner is in Dubai. Scimitar has made 10 private equity investments in financial services, basic industries, media, technology, and consumer products. Geographically the portfolio spans the U.S., Switzerland, Romania, and Northern Iraq. The firm has two successful cash exits and a stock exit under its belt, and is actively working on new investments in the Middle East.

Based in Summit, NJ, and servicing New Jersey, New York City, Westchester, NY and Long Island, Debra Spitzer Karat designed and created her own wedding photography company, Fia Photography. Fine Images by Artists (www.fiaphotography.com). The firm is devoted to capturing weddings with artistry, grace, elegance and classic style. They document each movement and emotion of the important day. The team consists of artistic masters capturing memories with unparalleled precision. Debra says the pricing is extremely competitive and the caliber of work is world class.

As mentioned, in 1998, Jon Abraham left a partnership track at a large law firm and with a colleague founded Abraham & Lerner LLP, a New York based law firm. The firm specializes in corporate litigation, but also handles general corporate transactions as well as real estate transactions. The firm employs 7 attorneys and staff, and has grown its business revenues each year since its inception.

J. Scott Croasdale writes that entrepreneurship has been an extremely rewarding experience for both he and Walker Hennington '94. They started SigmaTek Consulting LLC in 2000 which is a national IT/Financial Search and Staffing firm based in Denver, Colorado (www.stcllc.com). It has allowed unlimited creative outlets whereas they, as entrepreneurs, have complete and total control of the company's direction and vision. He cautions, however, that limitless maneuverability is not for everyone. His suggestion is for those considering starting a business to read, "The E-Myth Revisited: Why Most Small Businesses Don't Work and What

to Do About It." His advice prior to venturing into entrepreneurship in the most concise format: determine diligently what working capital you'll need to get started; double that figure; and spend frugally in the first couple of years; I've seen what hubristic spending has done to entrepreneurial peers.

In 1996, Greg Dorr hung up his suit and left his job in health care management to forge a completely different career path. He moved to Saratoga, NY from Baltimore, MD and initially went into the home construction business with his brother. Greg later refined his business to specialize in flooring and tile. However, he still spends his summers in the Adirondacks where he has built his own home as well as a few others. He is currently engaged in a development project in which he will build 5 homes on a 15 acre lakefront plot in Piseco, N.Y. Call him! He still has a few for sale.

Howie "Fin" Livingston is the co-owner and founder of a company called Finley Products Inc. (www.finleyproducts.com, 888-626-5301) Fin developed the company's main brand, 2x4 basics, from a drawing on a napkin. It's grown into a modest line of do-it-yourself projects that Finley manufactures and sells through most major home centers, hardware stores, and catalogs in the US, Japan, and Canada. And yes, they do business with Home Depot - of Kenneth Langone (Center) fame. The company has had many successes and failures, most of which involved tackling the challenges of dealing with customers who are thousands of times larger than they are.

A spouse supporting entrepreneurship, Jon MacKenzie has been active on the business end helping develop his wife Gretchen's business, Know Me Journals (www.knowmejournals.com). The concept was developed from a very personal experience and the original Know Me Journal asks a mix of questions to organize basic information and document who you are today. Gretchen is also branching out to offer other journals relating to specific life passages, such as weddings, graduations, vacations and parenthood.

In 2005, Davin Toth '93 established Backline Events, LLC, a full-service meeting and event logistics company. The firm primarily works with sales and marketing departments of Fortune 500 companies, and assists them in the development and execution of their sales meetings, incentive trips and trade shows. His team handles all event details, such as air travel fulfillment, hotel arrangements, pre-event marketing, attendee management, on-site facilitation, special event venue procurement, entertainment booking, décor, etc. The firm provides service throughout the world and has extensive experience in North America and Europe. In addition, Backline has a production and special event division that works specifically with groups coming into Nashville, Tennessee. Backline Events can be found at www.backlineevents.com and Davin can be reached at 615-598-5441.

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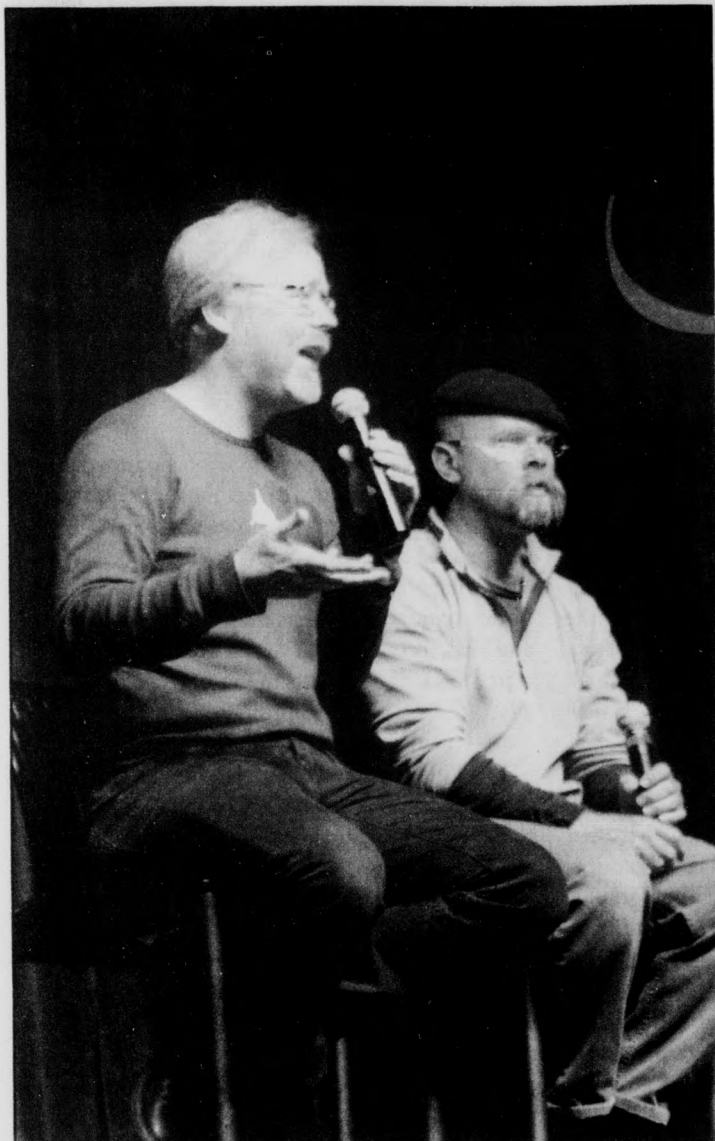
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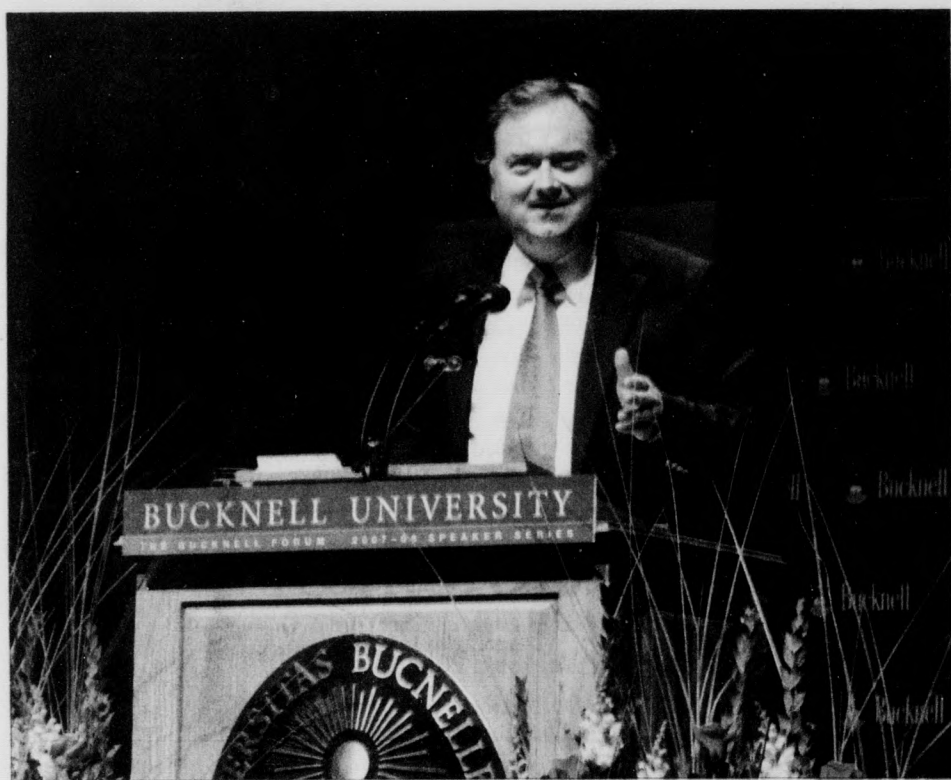
Adam Savage and Jamie Hyneman of the Discovery Channel's MythBusters presented this year's spring lecture, April 15 in Sojka Pavilion.



A bus carrying the second-place Little League team from Japan and a team from Taipei was engulfed in flames, Aug. 27 on the corner of Route 15 and Moore Ave.



John Griffin '08 celebrates after sinking a 40-foot game-winning buzzer-beater in triple overtime against Navy in the quarterfinals of the Patriot League Tournament.



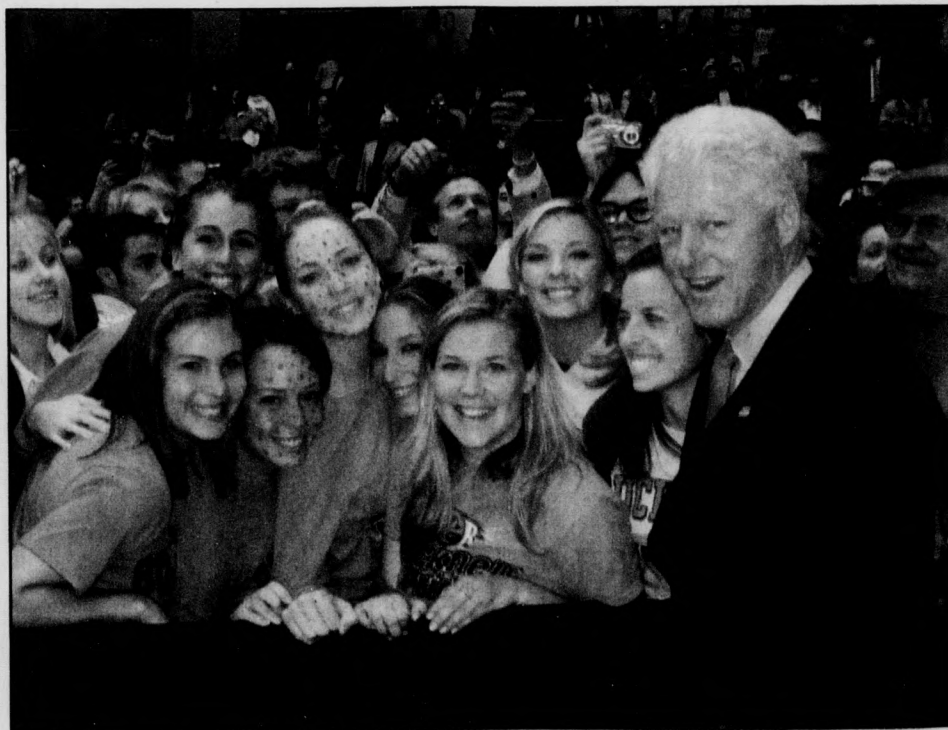
Tim Russert spoke in the Weis Center in September. Russert was the first speaker in the year-long series "The Bucknell Forum: The Citizen and Politics in America."



Comedian Jim Gaffigan performed for students and alumni at Homecoming in Gerhard Fieldhouse.



Third Eye Blind performed at the Spring Concert along with T-Pain, April 5, 2008.



Former President Clinton spoke in Sojka Pavilion to promote his wife's presidential campaign.

Memories